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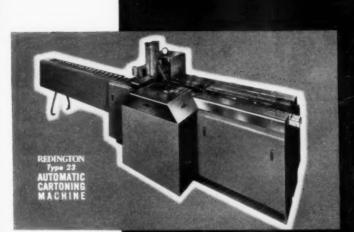
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Where custom is ingrained, the job of getting agreement on common terms is one requiring great patience and perseverance. The Packaging Institute deserves recognition for having taken leadership in this task through its *Glossary of Packaging Terms*, the second—and much improved—edition of which is now in preparation.

But where new terminology arises in connection with new materials and processes, the time to cut out the confusion is right then and there.

We have in mind the present situation in which polyethylene-coated materials—papers, films and foils—are coming rapidly to the fore. In many quarters these materials are still referred to as laminated and the average packager is confused.

The confusion is understandable, although not excusable. The extrusion coating process, with polyethylene, produces a material that looks and functions like a lamination. And in the distance of 4 or 5 in. between the extrusion head and the base web, the polyethylene is, for a split second, a film. But it combines immediately with the base stock while still molten; it is never a separate and distinct and self-supporting entity.

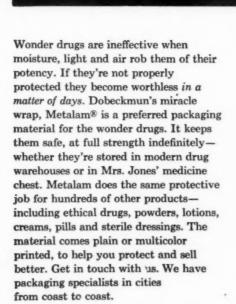
Let's agree on this: (1) lamination is the bringing together of two or more distinct and independent webs; (2) coating involves a single web on which is deposited a dependent material—which can be any one of many types.

The distinction is important and should be made clear, because both laminated and coated materials are being produced and used, and for many uses they are interchangeable. It is, however, a form of misbranding to call a coated material laminated, or a laminated material coated. The user has the right to know.



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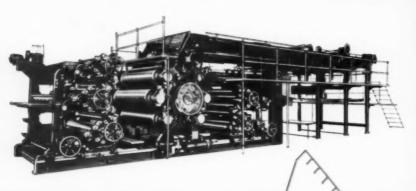




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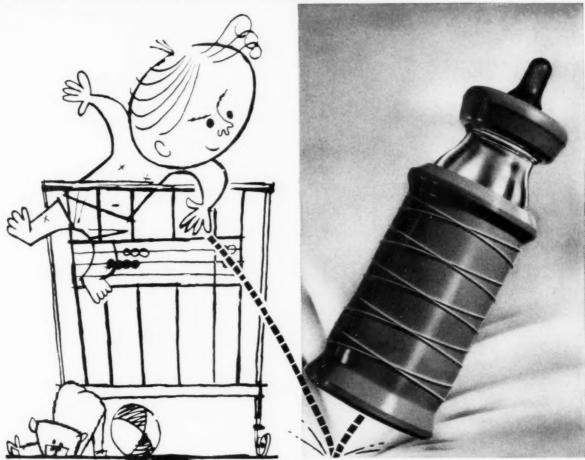
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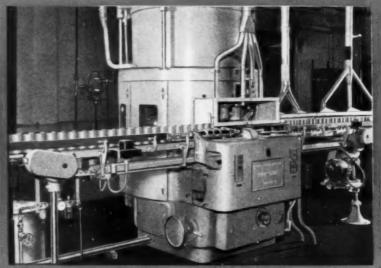
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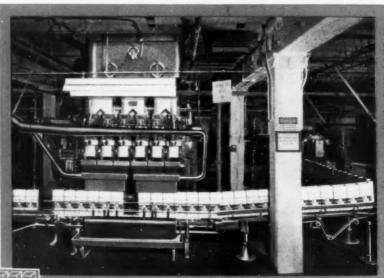


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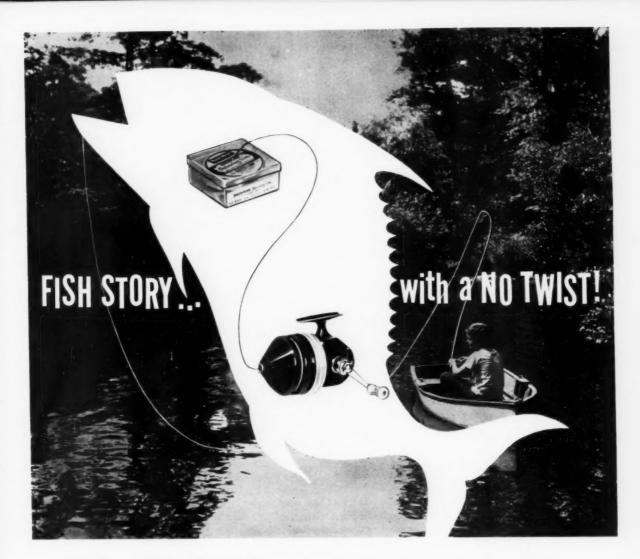
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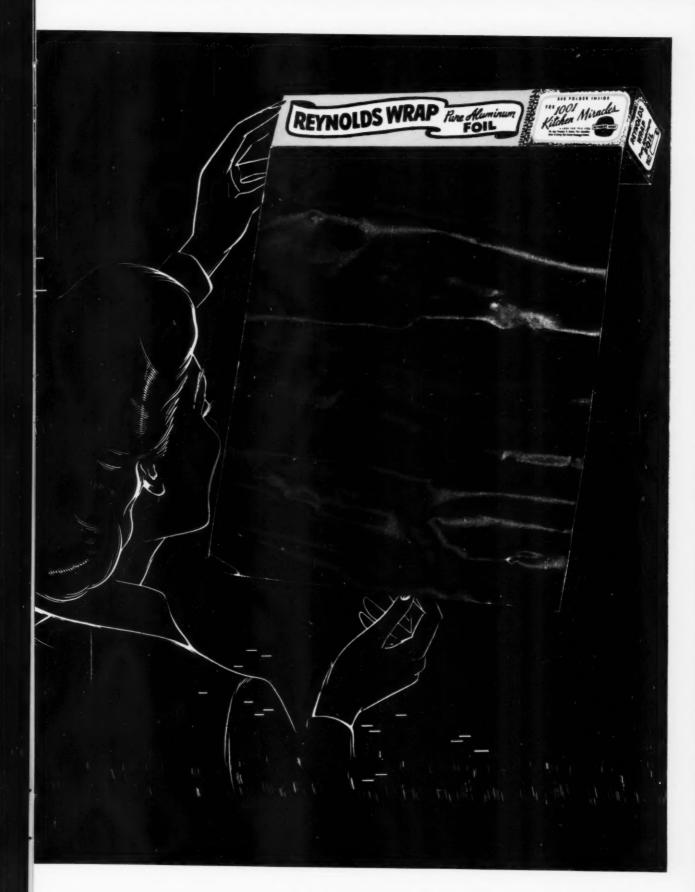
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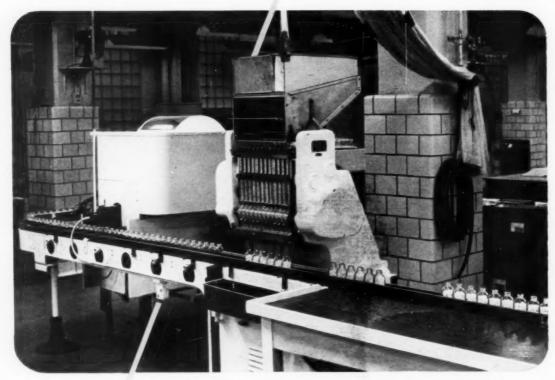
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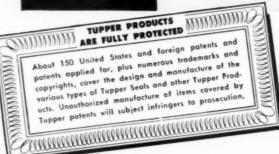
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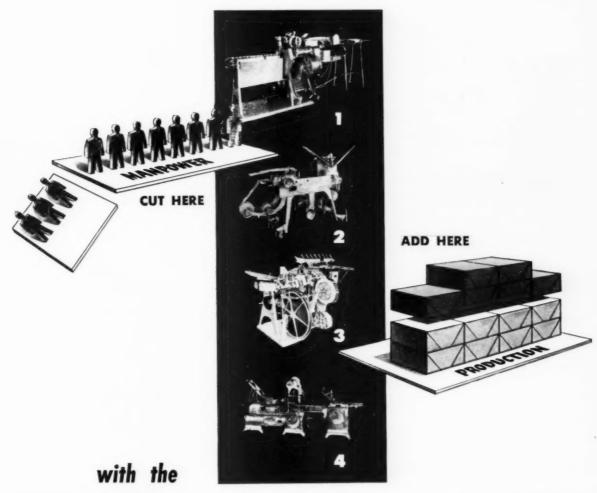
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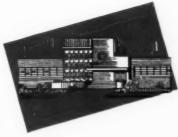
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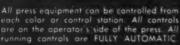
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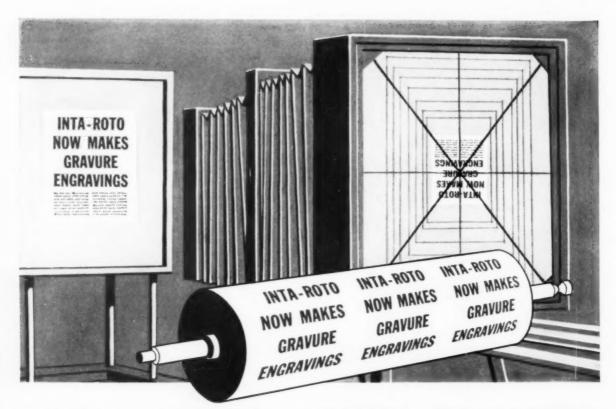
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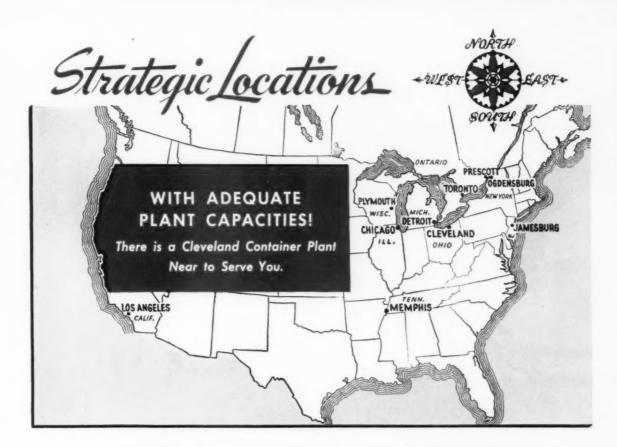
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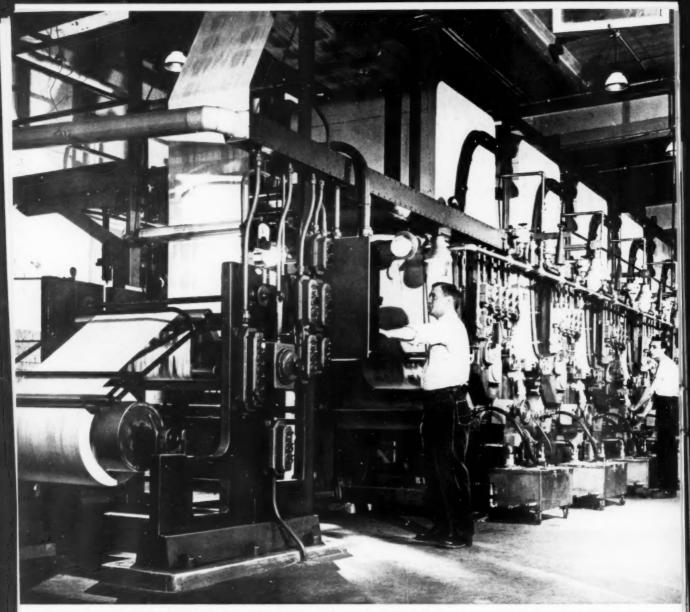
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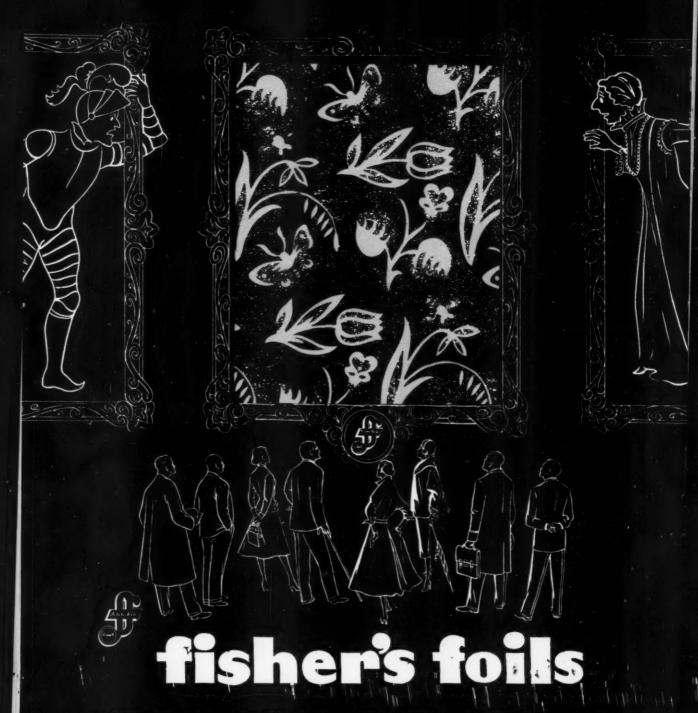
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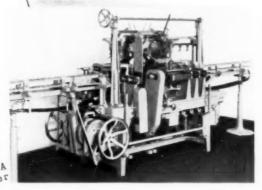
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Originally a package was simply a collection of things packed together for transportation by man, beast or ship. It was a bundle, a parcel or a container, this and nothing more.

Centuries went by before it was discovered that a package could be made to help sell the merchant's wares as well as to transport or store them. This was

the beginning of creative packaging.

The fundamental idea of creative packaging is that merchandise cannot be allowed to sit passively on store shelves and counters. It must appear in packages that call attention to themselves, de-

scribe their contents, and promise value, quality and convenience.

Beyond protecting products and making them attractive and handy to carry, a creatively-designed package will also make the product easier to use after it is sold.

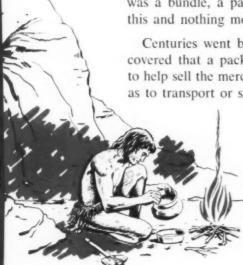
An art and a science

Creative packaging is both an art and

a science. The art comes in designing a package that will create a buying urge. The science comes in relating the structure of the package to the product itself, making a sound choice of available packaging materials, and adapting their characteristics to the requirements of high-speed filling, closing and handling operations.

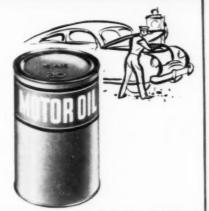
One of the most exciting things about packaging is that it is constantly changing. The good package of today may be inadequate tomorrow because of altered consumer tastes or living habits. No package design can ever be considered final. Creative packaging is a powerful means of protecting time-proved products from losing their favor in the market-place—just as it is important in getting new products off to a successful start.

Out of their long experience, Continental packaging people have developed some working rules for the creation of effective packaging. In this series of articles, we plan to share this information with you. Since we work with more kinds of packaging materials than any other U.S. packaging company, we hope to help you broaden your outlook, particularly if your thinking has been confined to one or two packaging fields.



Fragments of containers used by prehistoric man have been found in many excavations. In addition to jars, primitive man used woven fibres, large leaves and animal hides as "packages" to carry his few possessions.







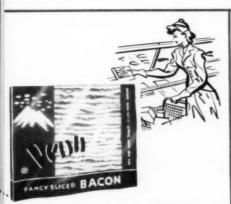






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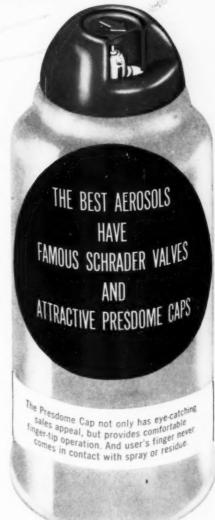
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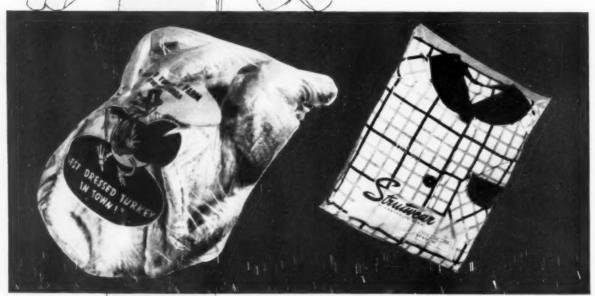


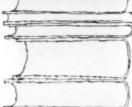




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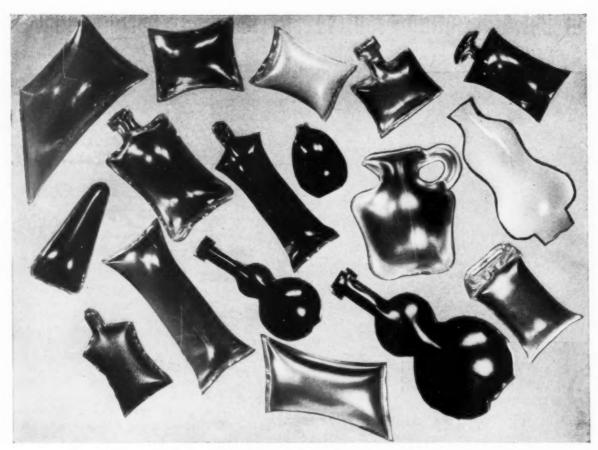
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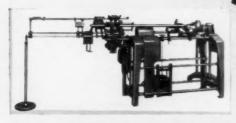


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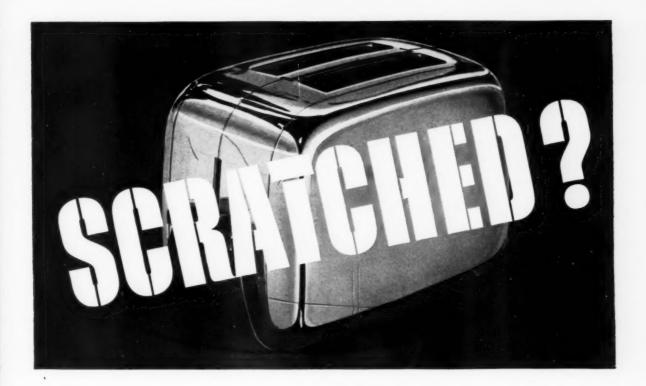
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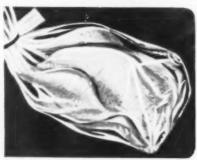
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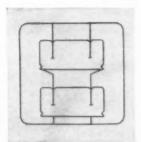
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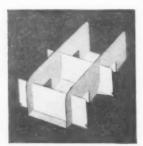
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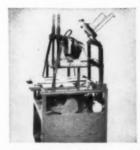
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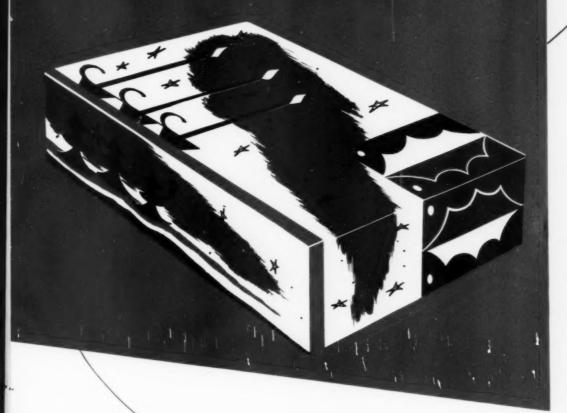
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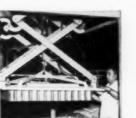
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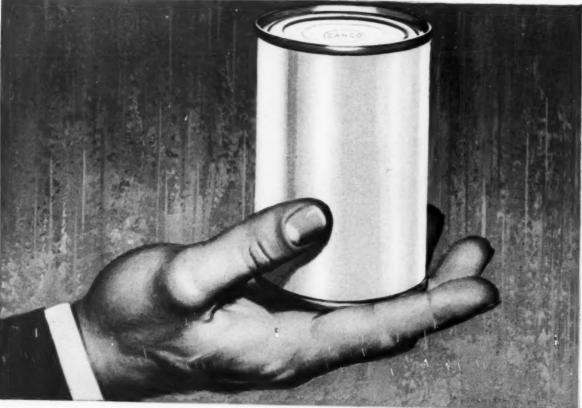
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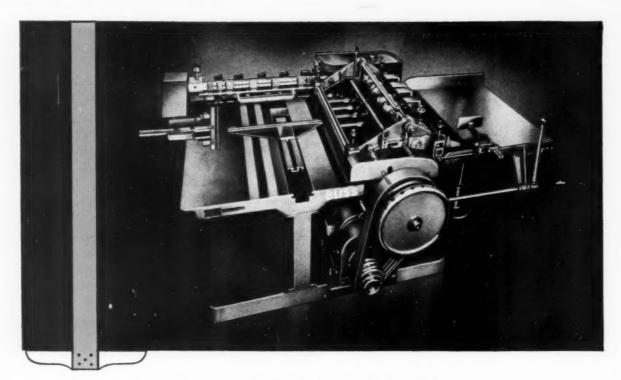
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The check-out drug store

It sells almost everything, including drugs, and it offers both a challenge and an opportunity for packaging

What's happening to drug-store merchandising? Does the increasing trend to self-service set-ups dictate a change in packaging? How do drug-store requirements differ from those of the self-service food market? Are there new product opportunities?

The fact is that the drug supermarket, complete with shopping carts and check-out counters, is growing rapidly. And even in those stores that lack turnstiles, the principle of self selection is almost universal today, placing the same display and self-selling burden directly on the package itself.

From a study of the current situation, it is an obvious "must" for every manufacturer selling to the drug field to place his packages under immediate and continuing scrutiny to make sure that they meet all the requirements of this new rough-and-ready type of marketing.

Self-service drug package requirements are basically the same as those of self-service food packages. Manufacturers who have been selling to both fields and have learned their lessons in the grocery supermarket are



SHOPPING BASKET and bargain atmosphere encourage the drug shopper to walk out with extra dollars' worth of unplanned purchases.

ice-store operations of the Walgreen Co., Chicago, one of the nation's largest drug-store organizations, which itself controls a considerable amount of package design. Now operating drug outlets in all sections of the country, with total stores numbering 386, Walgreen's has 23 units classed as self service. Many of the new installations projected by Walgreen at this time are to be of the self-service type.

In the company's recently issued annual report for 1953, C. R. Walgreen, Jr., president, made this significant statement:

We in the drug field, like virtually all retailers, must find methods by which higher wages, shorter hours and a high level of expenses in general are held in proper operating ratios. To accomplish this, large, highvolume stores are necessary. Prices have to be low to the customer to at-

in a fortunate position. Others had better learn pretty fast.

Right off the bat, it should be understood that the word "drug" as applied to today's drug store-whether it is completely or partially self service -is more than ever a misnomer. The prescription department usually remains inviolate and most drug stores do not sell food (other than the kind that is consumed at soda fountains). But otherwise the drug store-particularly the new supermarket type-is a hybrid general store, resembling the department-store bargain basement in layout, the hardware store to some extent in merchandise and the Piggly Wiggly in selling method.

Yet there are differences which should be noted carefully.

The new-product opportunities are immense. While the grocery operator has expanded rather reluctantly into non-food lines and has turned such items as housewares, toys and clothing over to rack jobbers1 with the injunction that they must be fast turnover and high profit, the typical drug operator buys and stocks his own merchandise and is avid for any eyecatching item that will turn a profit in a reasonable time. There is, in fact, apparently no restriction on what the drug store will sell-so long as it is well packaged and easy to handle and display.

In effect, the drug store, beset by competition on all hands for its one-



SIMPLE CARRIER permits the shopper to examine these mugs, tells a fast but forceful story concerning the product and sells four at a time. Carton provides space for sell copy and pricing.

time principal stock in trade, has joined the food industry in the trend back to the general store2-but with its own special approach.

Five years ago Modern Packaging examined a self-service drug operation in Detroit³ which was one of the first of its kind. At that time packaging of most of the products handled showed little change; only the selling method was different. Now let's see what's been happening-and what still needs to be done-to packaging.

Fortunately, an excellent case study is available in the well-established and smooth-running self-servtract and maintain volume in a highly competitive market. We believe that the trend toward self service-applied to the extent possible in our line of business-is highly desirable."

Of those Walgreen self-service stores opened during the past year, some were at new locations while others were conversions from conventional-type stores. A number of the new stores are in "drive-in" development's which contain one or more department stores and very extensive shopping facilities.

The variety of merchandise handled by some of Walgreen's new selfservice-type units is a revelation. The company's new Racine, Wis., store, for example, opened a few months ago,

¹ See "The Rack Jobber's Viewpoint," Modern Packaging, July, 1953, p. 81.

[&]quot;See "Back to the General Store," Modern Packaging, Oct., 1952, p. 85. "Self-Service "Drugs," Modern Pack-aging, Feb., 1949, p. 75.

contains over 5,500 sq. ft. of total floor area, with some 25,000 different items on open display in over 40 mass-merchandised departments. The new Gary, Ind., unit includes 6,200 sq. ft of over-all floor space. In Peoria, Ill., another recently opened self-service Walgreen drug store even incorporates a "Bargain Basement" and includes 45 mass-merchandised departments offering everything from sporting goods and lamp shades to gold fish.

Store layout and display

Although most Walgreen stores and a great many of the independent Walgreen Agency druggists utilize self service to some extent in certain departments, Walgreen's identifies as "self service" only those stores having a specific self-service section, divided off from the rest of the store by means of entrance gates and check-out time to encourage customer traffic throughout the self-service area. If too many high-volume items were concentrated near the entrance to the department, many shoppers might be inclined to pick up two or three needed products and proceed directly to the check-out counter. Walgreen stores utilize departmental layouts which facilitate customer circulation through several sections before reaching the check-out counters, thereby exposing patrons to more merchandise and laving the groundwork for impulse purchases. This type of sales-generating traffic movement is further developed through periodic re-arrangement of some sections and seasonal modifications by means of which sporting goods, gifts and other products may be featured at strategic periods.

Intensive utilization of space is characteristic of the Walgreen selfservice unit. Easily accessible shelving along the walls is supplemented by gondola-type display fixtures similar to those found in food supermarts. Aisles are generous, to permit free circulation of patrons and shopping carts. Store lighting is usually of the ceiling fluorescent-tube type. Even store columns are made into useful selling aids by covering them with peg boards on which many types of products may be displayed by hooks and hangers—an invitation to bagged merchandise with perforated headers.

An interesting bit of psychology is followed in building store displays. Walgreen merchandising men point out that consumers are often hesitant about being the first to remove merchandise from a full, symmetrical display; they hate to spoil the display and perhaps they feel that such a display indicates other shoppers are not

fast copy are essentials of super-drug packages



CARDING makes an ideal self-service package for small hardware and household items in the drug store as elsewhere. Many are die cut for hanging display.



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SEEING IT on cellophane-wrapped card reminds shopper who might not remember she can use syringe tubing.

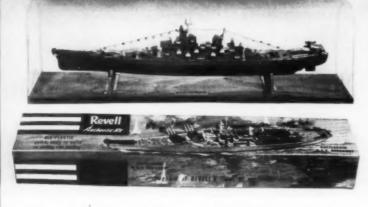
counters. In these stores shoppers are supplied with baskets or carts. Electronically operated entrance gates in many of these stores automatically swing open when the customer steps upon or wheels a shopping cart across a special type of floor mat which completes the circuit. These robot-type gates swing inward only, so that patrons can leave the department only by way of the check-out counters.

Walgreen merchandising executives have devoted a great deal of study to store layout and merchandise location in the self-service outlets. In general, it might be said that the practice followed – similar to that of the food supermarkets—is to make the merchandise convenient and at the same

HOSIERY RACKS at Walgreen's are adjustable on peg-board backing. Cellophane package contains a heavy board which discourages folding for concealment.



Displaying a sample permits a blind package





PLASTIC CASES for samples are widely used in conjunction with mass display of closed packages, giving all the inspection necessary to stimulate sales. The hobbyist sees exactly what he can build from the parts in the battleship kit. The woman picks her lipstick shade without opening a package and feels the quality of the sample rain boot.

interested in the merchandise. For this reason, many of the Walgreen store displays are set up with a slightly "shuffled" look right at the beginning, giving the impression that some packages have already been removed.

Stacking reserve supplies of merchandise practically to the ceiling atop the wall racks impresses shoppers with the sheer volume of items stocked and stimulates buying action. Further buying incentives include frequent use of over-the-wire banner or pennant displays announcing special sales events and posters calling attention to specific bargains.

Walgreen's has found, as the A&P found long ago in its field, that much of the sales magic of self service lies in the creation of the proper "bargain" atmosphere.

Package design

Certainly not al. the packages now displayed in Walgreen self-service stores have been consciously designed for this type of selling. Many of the items are still the same as those sold in conventional-type drug stores. However, many of the manufacturers who supply Walgreen's are giving much closer attention to package de-

sign for self service than in the past; and within the Walgreen organization, packages for the many Walgreen-manufactured drug products and cosmetics, and sundries made under their private labels, are now definitely designed with self service in mind. This broad program covers both redesign of current packages and creation of new packages where required.

Before turning to examples of individual packages particularly well suited to self-service operations, a few general principles are in order. They represent some of the "yardsticks" useful in determining the effectiveness of a package for self-service drug stores. As such, they are also applicable to many other types of retail self-service operations.

One of the most important of these principles is product visibility. Walgreen experience strongly emphasizes the desirability of packages which permit the 'actual merchandise to be seen by the prospective purchaser. Such packages may take a variety of forms, ranging from open carding, transparent bags and overwraps to window cartons which combine product protection and visibility. Consumers are less likely to open up packages for merchandise appraisal if they can

see it clearly through the wrap or container. This saves time and also helps to keep stocks in order.

Rain Stormer

Walgreen's feels so strongly about visibility that on a number of products which are supplied in a blind package, such as toys, sundries and certain cosmetic items, the self-service stores follow the practice of displaying an opened package beside the regular stock on the shelves. The sample product may be overwrapped by the store with transparent material to protect it against soil in handling. In other instances, the entire contents of a package may be removed and mounted on a display board beside the merchandise, as was done with a combination game board containing a number of small parts.

For the very popular construction kits now sold for building scale-model aircraft, cars, boats, etc., product visualization is achieved by a related display of a finished model dramatically enclosed within a transparent plastic cover. An accompanying photograph shows a typical ship-model display which does a very effective selling job in Walgreen self-service stores, together with its colorful, well-designed package.

Displays of storm boots with one of the boots applied to a model foot provide another typical example of product visual zation which expedites sales in self-service drug outlets. With appliances and similar merchandise sold directly in factory cartons, unpackaged samples can be used for display.

Legibility and display

Another important packaging principle followed in the Walgreen program is that of package legibility.

"The package should serve as a billboard," says a company package designer. "It must be inviting in appearance and the sales message must be short and sweet." Since customer decisions in self-service shopping are usually made in a few brief seconds, the need for clear-cut package identification and summarized sales features may be readily appreciated.

In designing packages for self-service merchandising, Walgreen is insisting upon at least 10-ft. identity for even small packages. To reach this objective, greater emphasis must be placed on such factors as package shape and size, color combinations, selection of typography and brevity of sales points.

Some of these features are apparent in the Walgreen packages illustrated.

Walgreen Rubbing Alcohol Compound, packaged in 1-pt. bottles, supplies an excellent example of some of these principles in action. Previously, this product was sold in a rather tall, narrow bottle with cramped label space. On the previous bottle and label, the product name was difficult to read at a distance and sales features, in smaller type, were even less legible under these conditions. The label, printed mainly in two shades of green, lacked the visual impact of the new label, which includes red, white and blue and is wider, accommodating larger lettering of product name and other type matter. The new bottle also is easier to grasp in the hand and less likely to tip over.

The terse labeling treatment desirable for self-service items is further illustrated by Walgreen's redesigned label for witch hazel, used on the same style of pint bottle in which rubbing alcohol is sold. Dominant feature of the label is the specific product name, with the Walgreen identification in type of smaller size. Three brief phrases-"For body massage . . . for after shaving . . . for tired burning feet"-immediately hit the eye of the shopper with sales appeals anyone can understand and appreciate. Two additional sales points-"Violet-ray processed" and "Triple distilled"-appear in smaller type. Although important, they are not regarded as initial attention catchers with the shopper motivation of those mentioned above.

Walgreen packaging and merchandising men believe that family-design labels, with their unifying influence, have a place in self-service drug stores, but that over use of this packaging approach results in monotonous shelves with reduced sales appeal. The theory here is that variety in label designs and colors gives the store a more stimulating atmosphere and is more likely to encourage

additional purchases.

With certain types of merchandise, however, Walgreen's is using labels of related color and design quite effectively. One example is the company's group of "Tidy" deodorants and related preparations. All the products in this group employ a gray-and-white diagonal stripe motif for the package background, highlighting the Tidy logotype in reverse white letters against a deep red rectangular panel. In a specific product group such as this, the related design has been found useful in creating additional sales for other products in the line. Among the items in this group are Arctic cream deodorant in a flat opal-glass jar, deodorant powder in sifter-type can, stick deodorant with chlorophyll, spray-type deodorant in a polyethylene squeeze bottle and depilatory cream packed in a glass jar.

Two types of aerosol products which have enjoyed an excellent selfservice record in Walgreen outlets show the importance of using dramatic labels with terse copy to catch the eye of the passing shopper. They are the Dolph Insect Bomb and Po-Do Speed Shave. In its latest version, the insect bomb has been changed over to a tapered-top aerosol container having an improved style of spray valve. The essential features of the lithographed label, showing a cloud of the spray being dispensed with a bomb-like effect on insects, have been retained, with larger lettering and improved typographical arrangement. On the new package, the word "Kills" is played up in larger type, with the names of several types of insects appearing immediately beside it.

Similarly, the Po-Do Speed Shave container features a billowy cloud of lather against which the product name appears in prominent letters. Here again, the trade name is subordinated so that the words "Speed Shave" dominate all other type on the display panel. On the back of the can appears a line drawing illustrating how to hold the container for use and easy-to-understand numbered instructions on how to use the product.

Keep it up to date

In the non-clerk type of selling, a package cannot afford to appear 'dated." It must reflect the fact that manufacturers of the item are alert to the developments in their field. A case in point is Walgreen's Chlorophyll Tooth Paste, which is sold in an evecatching red, green and white package. With the vast amount of publicity from various tooth-paste manufacturers regarding anti-enzyme cleansing action, Walgreen's own package is up to date with a reference to their paste's anti-enzyme action printed directly on the carton. In self service, such apparently minor points can have an important bearing on sales results.

Self service for some types of products creates other problems. Lipstick

BANNERING BRAND NAMES aids selection of cosmetics. Prices are clearly marked. Space above wall fixture displays bargain-basement housewares.



is an example. Faced with the necessity of showing prospective buyers the exact selection of colors available in its Sardi Color Toned lipstick, without allowing them to sample it on the back of the hand, Walgreen stores use a sturdy sealed "showcase" type of display fabricated of clear acrylic plastic, in which four lipsticks are held and the four shades clearly visible. Nevertheless, even in self-service outlets, a trained cosmetician is on hand in the cosmetics department to counsel patrons on their selections.

Ladies' nylon hosiery can also be well adapted to self-service operations.⁴ Walgreen's formerly sold hosiery in "blind" paperboard boxes holding ter in a visibility-type package. A case in point is flexible rubber tubing. Formerly sold in a blind carton, the tubing is now coiled on a die-cut backing board and overwrapped with cellophane. With this package, the prospective buyer can see the quality of the tubing and the length supplied. Important sales features—"free flow, molded, corrugated and socket end"—appear at the corners of the card.

Combination packages

Walgreen's has found that self service affords excellent opportunities for multiple sale of related items—provided that the items in the assortment are intelligently selected to fill a genu-

fairly well in single-unit sales, but really came into their own when offered in sets of four in a handy tray-like carry-home carton which suggests use in the home and injects a new note of merchandising glamour. When items are combined in a single package, care must be exercised to see that they are in acceptable multiples and well mated as to end usage.

Through imaginative packaging, Walgreen's has had excellent sales success with stationery. Gay Notes—cleverly decorated folded sheets for brief, informal correspondence—were formerly sold in a closed carton. Now the notes are attractively packaged in a printed tray with clear cellophane

Two techniques in Walgreen's own labels





TOP BILLING in the case of the fast-selling aerosol products, left, was given to product indentification, with brand name secondary. For Tidy deodorants and depilatory, right, it was considered more important to build up brand name.

three pairs of hose, with each pair in a separate cellophane envelope. Now the hosiery is sold in individual printed-cellophane sealed envelopes, so designed that the color may be seen directly through the window section, which is shaped like a feminine leg. An additional feature is the use of a heavy cardboard stiffener in the package which discourages anyone from trying to fold the package up and conceal it in a purse.

To control pilferage on relatively expensive vitamin preparations and related drug items, these are either handled in the prescription department, easily accessible to the self-service section of the store, or stocked adjacent to that department, where the pharmacist can watch them.

Walgreen's experience indicates that many sundry items will sell betine consumer need and are packaged in a sales-stimulating manner.

Walgreen's combination attachment set provides an excellent example. Designed to extend the usefulness of the household hot-water bottle, this set includes a length of rubber tubing, a screw-in attachment for the bottle and several types of attachments for the other end of the tubing. Formerly, this combination product was offered in a blind package. The redesigned container recently adopted consists of paperboard base with die-cut shelves through which the attachments are inserted. This in turn slips into a paperboard sleeve having a transparent window section through which all items in the assortment may be seen. It is believed this package will result in additional sales.

Ceramic breakfast mugs have sold well in a combination package. These handy, well-designed mugs moved overwrap which permits the shopper to see the merchandise and has been effective in building increased sales. Within the tray, the stationery is arranged in three stacks, forming a flat, easily carried package with adequate display area.

A package for dish cloths will be accompanied by sample swatches of the dish-cloth material in the store display. Thus customers may "sample" the material without actually touching the cloths in the carton.

A new rubber glove printed-sleeve pack permits the rubber to be felt for quality and is perforated so that it may be hung on peg-board displays.

Since not all packages can be displayed at eye level in self-service drug outlets, multisided visibility is an asset. This emphasizes the importance of designing packages so that they will attract favorable notice and register clearly with the fast-moving

See "Help Yourself Textiles," MODERN PACKAGING, July, 1952, p. 77.



EVEN THE COLUMNS that support the ceiling are used to sell. In this new Walgreen store, columns are surrounded by peg boards with hooks from which shelves or individual items can be hung. The hang-up package is important in all self service selling.

shopper whether seen from the front, top or side. Such design versatility insures that they will win attention regardless of the position given them in store displays. This feature is particularly important for small packages which might otherwise be "lost in the shuffle."

In designing a package which will move well in self service, the manufacturer cannot afford to overlook factors relating to the convenience and utility of the package in actual use. If "plus" values can be built into the package which make it easier for the buyer to use, that is all to the good, since they build buyer satisfaction and repeat sales,

An excellent example of this kind of design thinking is the new-type package just adopted for Walgreen's Luxury brand black and menthol cough drops. Departing from the traditional box, which takes up considerable space in the purse or pocket, Walgreen's have turned to a foil-wrapped roll similar to those used for mints. The convenient rolls are sold from attractive counter-display cartons.

The outlook

Powerful forces are encouraging the extension of self service in conventional drug outlets and the adoption of virtually 100% self-service in most new stores. One of the most important factors is the rapid growth of unified outlying shopping centers, where customers can buy every type of product from food and drugs to furniture and sporting goods without leaving their own neighborhood. Such developments—and there are scores of them springing up all over the naion—usually include at least one large drug store, as well as one or more retail food outlets.

When patrons arrive at one of these shopping centers in the family car (and park in the convenient parking lot), they usually do not limit their shopping to one or two small purchases. They come to take advantage of the wide variety of merchandise available, the attractive prices and the convenience of being able to shop in one location for a big share of all their food, drug and household requirements. Self-service selling is the rule in most of these retail outlets.

There are indications that the separate drug store has advantages over a self-service drug department subsidiary to a food supermarket. The food chains themselves seem to be thinking this way. In Jersey City, N.J., Safeway Stores—the nation's second

CONVENIENCE in packaging is carried to cough drops. Walgreen's found customers liked this roll package better than a box. It is more compact in pocket or purse and easier to use.

largest retail food chain—is quietly operating, on an experimental basis, a self-service drug store which is physically separated from the Safeway supermarket by a parking lot and even bears a separate name, that of the Mercer Drug Co.

Experience has shown that any package which sells well in self service also lends itself well to a clerk-type selling operation. Since this is true, the advisability of designing the package with self service in mind is inescapable.

Although drug stores which may be strictly classed as self-service outlets may still be numbered in the hundreds, there are many thousands of other drug outlets throughout the nation where a goodly portion of the sales is handled on a self-service basis. And the trend throughout the industry is toward more and more of this type of drug selling. It is worth watching.



LEGIBILITY at 10 ft, is Walgreen's standard for self-service labels. Note how bottle was lowered and broadened in redesign to give bigger and bolder space to the product name.





EIGHT VARIATIONS of sizes and shapes of bottles and labels are handled with ease on First National's new fully automatic labeler.

A quick-change labeler

First National's new automatic machine, one of the first of its kind in this country, has some unusual features

One of the first American production models of a new low-cost, wide-range, continuous-motion, high-speed, automatic labeler is now operating at the plant of First National Stores, Somerville, Mass., handling eight different sizes of olive jars with quick change-over and unusually solid adherence of the label to the jar, achieved, the company says, through a unique system of flexible pressure-pad transport which holds the label to the container through two full machine cycles.

The machine, capable of labeling 120 jars a minute, or 54,000 in a 7½-hr. working day, at First National replaces a semi-automatic labeler rated at only 15 per minute. With the semi-automatic labeler, it was necessary to run the labeling operation on a two-shift basis to label a day's production. The new labeler, at top speed, can match the 12-hr. production of the older machine in about an hour and a half.

This type of continuous-motion machine was first introduced in Canada about three years ago and 35 are said to be in operation there. Design improvements have been incorporated in the American model.

First National's olives are packed in glass jars of diverse size and shape with rolled-on aluminum screw caps, the jars ranging in size from 2 to 7½ oz. Six of the jars are labeled under the "Finast" brand name and two under "Jumble-Pac," all using a plain type of label stock adhered to the jar with cold glue. Actually, the machine is said to be capable of handling any size from 2 oz. to a gallon and it is designed to use thermoplastic or hotmelt adhesive if desired.

Closed olive jars in this operation are wet when they reach the labeler, adding to the complications of obtaining good label adherence. The First National machine is successful, however, because it holds the label under pressure long enough for glue and moisture to permeate the fibres of the label and kill its "fight." A flexible pressure-pad transport comes down over the label and holds it firmly in place through two complete machine cycles.

First National finds that wet jars are readily handled by the machine because the glue is applied to the label rather than the bottle. And an automatic infeed of the machine eliminates manual handling of wet bottles as was necessary with the former semi-automatic labeler.

A proved method of label feed, featured for many years on a standard

type of wrapping machine, is employed on First National's new machine.

In operation, the bottom label within a magazine is removed by a rocking suction plate. When the leading edge of a label is turned down, it enters the mechanical gripper jaws of a rotating drum. As the drum rotates, it carries the label over a wheel which is continually supplied with glue. Continuing past the glue wheel, the label is rolled onto the bottle or jar as it passes in a horizontal position.

In the next stage a flexible pressure pad—one of seven which revolves continuously—comes down on the label, makes it conform to the shape of the bottle and sets up the final adherence. This differs from other methods of label feed in that there is no reliance upon the tack of the glue for label feed.

Many types of bottle labelers, of course, apply glue to a picker arm which then picks the label out of a magazine. When this method is used, great care must naturally be taken to keep the glue sufficiently tacky for conveyance of the labels.

At the discharge end of the machine, the bottles are returned to a standing position and delivered upon a dead plate. Rapid adjustability for the eight different sizes of the olive jars is counted as an important advantage by First National. Adjustments are described as simple, the company estimating that it requires approximately from five to 15 minutes to make a complete change from one size of jar to another. Instructions to operators for making size changes are summed up as follows:

Raise or lower pressure pads according to size of jar; this is done by hand wheel. Change position of conveyor chain to position label. Change position of infeed belts to accommodate jar. Adjust discharge mechanism. Adjust label box for size.

To simplify the procedure, pressure-pad holders are made so as to provide a quick change of rubberband position. For instance, to change the pressure pads from the setting for a round bottle to that for a tapered tumbler, it requires about 30 seconds to snap out the seven bands and snap them back in proper position, ready for operation.

First National's labeler was, besides its speed and efficiency, constructed with food-plant sanitation in mind. Stainless steel was introduced, for example, in the sections close to the bottles, the main cover pan and the bottle-conveying chain. Beyond these uses of stainless steel, other sections of the machine have been treated for corrosion resistance.

Ball bearings, it is reported, have been introduced to an extent not customary with most labelers. Sealed ball bearings are lubricated for life and are easily replaced when required. There are very few points requiring periodic lubrication.

From a convenience standpoint, all working parts are well above floor level, enabling maintenance men to hose down the floor without wetting the machinery. Since the main frame of the machine is stainless steel, the main conveyor may be hosed down with water if a weak bottle should break while in the machine. This, of course, saves considerable time.

A single girl operator attends the labeler itself, installing labels in the label box, supplying glue and helping pack cases.

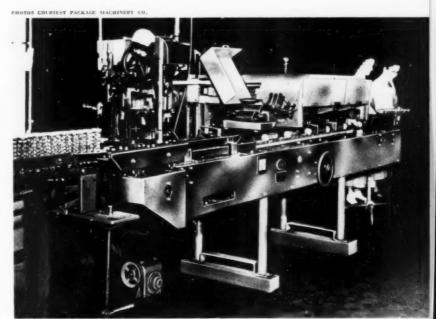
Shipping cartons are packed in units of a dozen and two dozen, depending upon the size of the jar.

According to the manufacturers, the machine may be purchased without the automatic feed at a cost said to

be no greater than that of any semiautomatic labeler. This offers the small packager an opportunity for growth, as the automatic feed may be added at any time that increased production may justify it.

CREDITS: "Thrifty" labeler, Package Machinery Co., East Longmeadow, Mass. Labels, Libbie Printing Co., 465 Cambridge St., Allston 34, Mass., and Na-

tional Label Co., 19 St. & Indiana Ave., Philadelphia 32, Pa. Glass jars, Knox Glass Corp., Sheffield, Pa.; Hazel-Atlas Glass Co., 15 & Jacob Sts., Wheeling, W. Va., and Thatcher Glass Co., Box 265, Elmira, N. Y. Screw caps, Phoenix Metal Cap Co., 2444 W. 16 St., Chicago 8; Anchor Hocking Glass Corp., 20 Glass Ave., Lancaster, Ohio, and Crown Cork & Seal Co., Inc., Eastern Ave. & Kresson St., Baltimore 3, Md.



CONTINUOUS MOTION is secret of machine's smooth performance at up to 120 per min. Movement is from left to right, from optional automatic feeder, which lays bottles lengthwise for trip through label gluing and applying unit (center, with cover raised) and compression unit.





GLUE UNIT (left) picks up label from bottom of hopper at right, applies a film of cold glue and deposits the label in correct position on bottle. In the compression unit (right) a form-fitting rubber-band-pad settles on each bottle and firms label into position, holding it through two machine cycles as the pad rides with the conveyor. Long holding time insures a firm bond, even on wet jar. Operator is turning hand wheel which raises or lowers pressure pads to suit jar size.

ULTRA-LOW-PRESSURE

A new Zonite principle permits the use of unprotected glass, thereby opening the field wide to toiletry products

The efficient, sales-potent aerosol has taken many dramatic steps forward during its short but spectacular growth to acceptance as a standard packaging form. Now, as the result of new development work conducted by the Zonite Products Corp., a new concept—the ultra-low-pressure aerosol—has been pioneered to permit the use of unreinforced glass containers and open up additional, exciting new frontiers in push-button packaging.

Basically, the significance of the latest aerosol concept advanced by Zonite lies in the fact that a means has been found to reduce pressure to levels safe even for a glass bottle and yet produce an extremely fine and effective spray mist. Practical application of this ultra-low-pressure principle was first demonstrated in a cologne aerosol packaged in a 2-oz. glass bottle by Zonite for export sales¹. More recently Primrose House, under arrangement with a filler licensed by Zonite, has introduced its Chiffon Cologne, the first ultra-low-pressure all-glass cosmetic aerosol to be sold in this country, and, mean-

¹ See "Miniature Glass Aerosol" Modern Packaging, Dec., 1953, p. 194. while, Carven-Parfums has brought out its new "Mis-s-s-st-i-fier" cologne aerosol. Numerous similar small-size aerosols for personal products, in both glass and metal, will soon reach the market and an extremely optimistic outlook for multimillion-unit expansion seems warranted.

These new aerosols employ a pressure ranging from 11 to 15 lbs./sq. in., gauge reading, at room temperature, whereas pressures ranging from 25 to 40 have previously been considered the lower limit of the conventional "low-pressure" aerosol. Safety requirements have dictated the use of metal containers, or some kind of safety sheath for glass containers, where pressures at ordinary room temperature exceeded 20 lbs. Zonite itself pioneered a fibreboard-sheathed pint glass aerosol for its Larvex moth spray, which was successfully marketed last January.2 The logical approach in aerosol packaging originally was to assume that the degree of spray atomization depended to a large extent on the amount of pressure provided. Thus, where a fine spray was needed, pressures were sought that automatically ruled out glass and other frangible containers such as thin-walled, intricately shaped aluminum containers.

The ultra-low-pressure principle in effect completely reverses this thinking by demonstrating that spray performance is not necessarily dependent on the degree of pressure. It thereby opens the way for perfumes, anti-perspirants and other cosmetics with an alcohol base, along with shampoos, foam shave cream, certain medical products and similar items to adopt cosmetic-type glass containers if desired. From the standpoint of design appropriateness alone, such containers open an entirely new field of

SEE-THROUGH is a wholly new appeal made possible by the use of clear, unprotected glass, pressurized, by the new system, at less than 15 p.s.i.g. Primrose House's "Chiffon" Cologne Mist was first on U. S. market. FROSTED GLASS is favored by Carven. It slightly greater strength than transparent glass, although both have adequate safety margins at the new ultra-low pressure range. 92

² See "The First Glass Aerosol," Modern Packaging, Jan., 1953, p. 90. AEROSOLS

opportunity to the cosmetic packager. In addition, the novelty of an aerosol that you can see through and which operates "mysteriously" is certain to intrigue consumers.

Dressing-table attractiveness, with all its proved potential for merchandising cosmetics, is not the only asset of the glass aerosol. The unique suitability of glass for a host of critical products, as well as the freedom to package in small sizes, also loom large in the advantages provided by ultralow-pressure packaging.

The new approach

Zonite's application of the ultra-lowpressure principle³ is based on the discovery that the degree of saturation of propellant into a solution of aliphatic alcohol and water (or other liquids) influences the degree of atomization or fineness of spray that can be produced. The ideal degree of saturation, in turn, can be achieved by carefully controlling the concentration of alcohol combined in the active ingredient formulation.

As explained by Dr. Francis A. Mina, technical director of Zonite, saturation of the propellant in the alcohol solution converts each spray particle into a sponge-like droplet that has soaked up many even tinier droplets of propellant. When the sponge-like droplet is released into atmospheric pressure, the many beads of propellant "explode" simultaneously and atomize the spray particle, or, in effect, blast the sponge-like drop of cologne or similar product into a fine mist.

If, on the other hand, the droplet of active ingredient is not saturated with propellant, it will, in effect, be like a solid drop containing only one bead of propellant. When the solid droplet is exposed to atmospheric pressure, the single bead of propellant will "explode" and some of the fragments will redissolve in the droplet before they effect complete es-

INTO THE BOUDOIR goes the aerosol, with revolutionary development of ultra-low-pressure system which extends push-button convenience to unprotected glass in true cosmetic style. A gentle mist of perfume delights feminine user. Carven is third brand of cologne to adopt package.

cape. Thus the atomizing process is delayed and dissipated by a graduated release of energy.

The saturated droplet achieves almost immediate full-force release of energy because the multiple beads of propellant take up so much space and exert so much pressure in the droplet that blasted fragments of propellant are not able to redissolve.

The sponge-like combination produced by saturating the active ingredient with propellant thus utilizes maximum "explosive efficiency" and thereby reduces the number of pounds of pressure that must be specified for effective operation.

In its development work, Zonite employed aqueous solutions of aliphatic alcohols, e.g., alcohol 39-C, and dichlorotetrafluoroethane (Freon 114).

All dilutions were made by volume and the specific gravity was checked.

The miscibility of the propellant with different water solutions of ethanol were then observed and pressures were determined for a range of concentrations at different temperatures.

Miscibility of the propellant in the concentrations at a temperature of 70 deg. F is:

11.5% in 80% ethanol 20.0% in 85% ethanol 37.8% in 90% ethanol

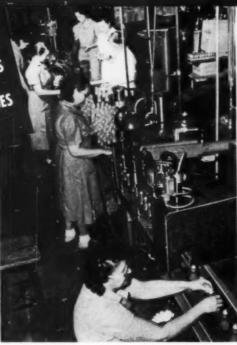
The optimal practical concentration for dispensing ethanol-base preparations by means of the ultra-low-pressure system is 87%, Zonite has concluded.

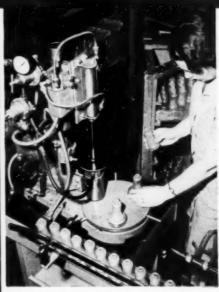
Gauge pressures obtained at 70 deg. F. for each of the various ethanol solu-

² Patents for this system have been applied for by Zonite Products Corp. and the following loaders have been licensed to produce ultra-lowpressure aerosols: Continental Filling Co., Danville, Ill.; Stalfort Pressure-Pak Corp., 319 W. Pratt St., Baltimore, Md., and Fluid Chemical Co., 878 Mt. Prospect Ave., Newark, N. J.

ULTRA-LOW-PRESSURE
FILLING REQUIRES
SPECIAL TECHNIQUES

OVER-ALL VIEW of pioneering filling line used at Zonite for Jasmin cologne. From back, stages are: air-blast cleaning and pressure testing; filling, valve assembly, air evacuation and propellant loading, then testing and capping.





SPECIAL DEVICE is machine that blasts 150-lb, air pressure into empty bottles to detect any weakness in the glass and screen out cracked or faulty containers.

tions containing 25% by volume of propellant are:

13.7 p s. i. g. in 85% ethanol

12.1 p s. i. g. in 90% ethanol

11.4 p s. i. g. in 95% ethanol

7.8 p s. i. g. in 100% ethanol

Container requirements

The bottles required for unprotected glass aerosols, even when the new very low pressures are involved, naturally must be given careful consideration from the standpoint of breakage and consequent risk to the user. Bottles developed for Zonite employ a strong commercial grade of glass in designs that assure uniform distribution of glass. The various glass aerosols for cologne so far on the market use bottles shaped somewhat like an hour-glass. Five variations of the basic shape have been developed, including 2-oz. narrow-waisted ovals and rounds, 3%-oz. narrow-waisted ovals and rounds, and a 4-oz. narrowwaisted wide-mouth bottle suitable for foam-type products.

Hundreds of filled bottles were subjected to drop tests to determine their safety under conditions of use. Results were compared with the performance of commercially bottled carbonated beverages used as a control.

In general, the glass aerosols were found to be from 11 to 33 times safer than the beverage bottles, all of which broke on the first 4-ft. drop to a concrete floor. The frosted-glass bottles were found somewhat more resistant to breakage than the clear glass and full bottles broke slightly more readily than those two-thirds or one-third full, although the full bottles withstood an average of more than 10 drops. Temperature had no significant effect on breakage, the over-all average being about 14 drops at 130 deg. F. and about 18 at 70 deg. F.

Little difference in the shattering of glass, the velocity of fragments or the distance traveled was noted between the 2-oz. aerosols and the control bottles, except that the tendency of force for the aerosol bottle was horizontal, seldom rising above 1½ ft., while the glass from the beverage bottles had a tendency to shatter upwards as well as to travel horizontally. In all cases, the horizontal distance that fragments traveled averaged between 6½ and 8 ft.

These studies showed the glass aerosol safe for use in the home and industry and, combined with findings in regard to proper formulation, made practical the introduction of unprotected-glass aerosols.

It is significant to the packager that pressure below 15 p.s.i.g. is not classifiable under ICC regulations as a compressed gas. These aerosols therefore can be shipped without restriction by truck or rail, providing products are maintained outside the scope of the ICC definition of a "pressurized flammable liquid."

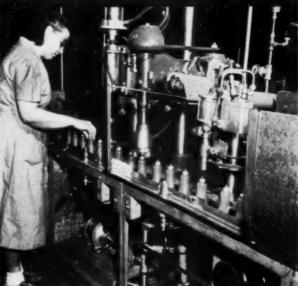
The various cologne aerosols, even though they contain alcohol, have successfully passed the flame, epen-cup and drum tests recommended by the Bureau of Explosives for determining the flammability of self-pressurized dispensers. As a matter of fact (and this is testimony to the efficiency of the new system), one problem to be considered is to avoid spray-head design that will produce too fine a mist, for in such cases a flash-back can be produced that will prevent the aerosol from passing the flash test. The present Zonite packages have passed this test.

Valve and loading

In the valves employed by the Zonite cologne aerosol, all components that come into contact with the product are non-metal, including a polyethylene dip tube and spray head, a nylon stem and washer, and rubber gaskets—each material being chosen to avoid problems of corrosion, warping or shrinkage and assure specific function as a valve part. The valves are mounted in a roll-on-type alumi-



FILLING is done by 12-nozzle automatic vacuum filler. Operator (observing fill level) is depressing lever that lowers nozzles, starts and breaks vacuum. The production rate on this pioneer line is 30 bottles a minute.



VALVE ASSEMBLY is inserted manually. Equipment to right of operator then automatically evacuates air from the bottle and seals the roll-on ferrule. Propellant is loaded through the valve under pressure by the loading head at far right.

num ferrule, which can be lacquered or anodized to provide a choice of attractive colors.

The valve assembly is so designed that it permits pressure loading by means of a loading stem that inserts down into the valve. This method reduces the Freon loss frequently experienced when the pressure loading is done by means of a loading hood placed around the entire valve head. Reduction of propellant losses is especially important where Freon 114 is involved, since this type of propellant is considerably more expensive than the conventional high-pressure Freon.

The ultra-low-pressure aerosol can also be filled with refrigerated liquid propellant, except in those cases where the active ingredient will be adversely affected by low temperature.

On Zonite's filling and loading line for its ultra-low-pressure cologne aerosols, bottles are (1) air cleaned, (2) pressure tested, (3) filled by an automatic 12-nozzle vacuum filler, (4) receive valve assembly mounted in the roll-on aluminum ferrule, (5) have air evacuated automatically, (6) have ferrule rolled on, sealing the valve and bottle, and (7) have Freon injected under pressure gauged at about 450 lbs. This pioneer line, which must be

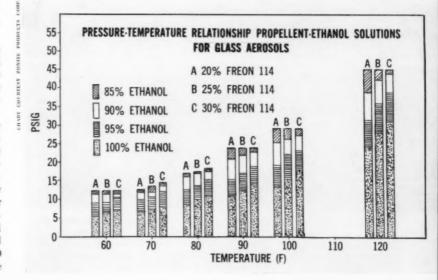
considered subject to further refinement, is designed to handle 30 bottles a minute. With the addition of an automatic capper, it could, reportedly, handle 60 bottles a minute.

The air-pressure bottle tester at the start of the line injects a 150-lb. air blast into the bottles to screen out

cracked or faulty containers. The 150-lb. air test provides pressures three times as great as the maximum pressure the aerosol itself will develop at 130 deg. F.

Statistical quality control is maintained in regard to filling performance, for it is very important to main-

CHART SHOWS pressure-temperature relationships of four concentrations of ethanol mixed with different quantities of propellent. Note how pressures vary with ethanol concentration as well as with temperature.





FIRST product in new ultra-lowpressure glass aerosol was Zonite's Jasmin cologne, sold only in Latin America. Pinched-in bottle shape and special glass give container utmost strength.

tain precise quantities where perfume or similarly expensive products are filled and also to prevent filling beyond specified capacity when Freon is added.

Prospects

The ultra-low-pressure aerosol, in addition to the new challenges and opportunities it affords, must additionally be regarded as a case example of the accomplishments and rewards in prospect for the packager who is not content to accept current limitations in his field and is willing to persevere in his search for solutions to seemingly insurmountable obstacles.

Zonite's other contributions to the aerosol field include the all-plastic valve, developed in conjunction with a supplier for its Larvex three-phase spray, and the use of a catalyst (boilstones) to promote more rapid vaporization of the propellant.

The pilot line for Larvex aerosol filling and loading was designed for 100,000-unit capacity, but marketing response forced a schedule to turn out approximately 750,000 units during the first year of production. Recently the Larvex pressure line has been converted to fully automatic operation, with the exception of valvespray-head insertion, which is still

done manually. Many of the features of this line are duplicated in the new line, as described above, for Zonite's Jasmin Cologne.

A new three-phase pressure package, Myna Window Cleaner, has recently been introduced and is now being marketed by Zonite. The new product employs a fibreboard safety sheath and is an aerosol type quite similar to the Larvex package. Other three-phase pressurized products are said to be under development.

In pioneering the three-phase aerosol, Zonite overcame the obstacles that stood in the way of aerosols for aqueous-type products that would not mix with Freon and therefore could not employ the conventional two-phase system that necessarily involved mixture, solution or emulsion of the propellant in the active ingredient.

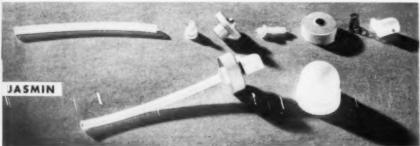
Having solved several aerosol problems by means of original and hitherto unanticipated approaches, Zonite obviously has every reason to regard aerosol packaging as a highly versatile medium and one that has other secrets still to be unlocked.

Marketing of the new glass aerosols is still on a limited scale. The shortage of Freon 114 late last year, when the Atomic Energy Commission's requirements seriously curtailed civilian supplies, delayed volume production as well as the rush of several new products to market. Expanded facilities for Freon 114, scheduled for completion in April, are expected to end the shortage.

Consumer response in initial marketing of the colognes is said to be excellent. The ultra-low-pressure aerosols are apparently designed to give appreciable "mileage" in terms of both economy and efficiency. The attractiveness of the glass container has won immediate approval and operation is so simple and convenient that most users seem to believe the push-button itself produces the spray and do not stop to realize that a new type of aerosol is at their service.

CREDITS: Bottles and sealing machine, Wheaton Glass Co., Millville, N. J. Valves, Calmar Co., 6800 McKinley Ave., Los Angeles I, and Risdon Mfg. Co., Valve Div., Risdon St., Naugatuck, Conn. Freon 114, E. I. du Pont de Nemours & Co., Inc., Wilmington 98, Del. Filler, Packer Machinery Corp., 30 Irving Pl., New York 3. Air-evacuating, pressure-loading and testing equipment, Alpha Equipment & Machinery Works Co., 217 N. Desplaines St., Chicago.





NO METAL PARTS contact the product in the new glass aerosols; all contact parts of these valves are plastic or rubber. Aluminum ferrules may be anodyzed or lacquered. Two different makes of valve, as used by Chiffon and Jasmin colognes, are shown here. Big potential for glass aerosols is for hundreds of water-based products that would rust metal.



CLEAN LIP is exhibited by bottle when it is lifted after pouring into glass. Polyethylene collar, developed by Roma at a reported cost of \$250,000, repels lingering drops that might run down bottle or drip on cloth.

Dripless wine

Roma solves an age-old problem with a polyethylene collar fitted into the pouring lip of a conventional bottle

The after-drip from the bottle for centuries has created a problem wherever wine has been served. Yet any radical departure from the traditional package certainly would create consumer opposition.

Roma Wine Co., San Francisco, has neatly solved the dilemma with an inconspicuous polyethylene which fits over and inside the finish of a conventional bottle. The sharp lip of the collar cuts off the flow sharply when the bottle is lifted from the glass and the last drops flow back into the bottle rather than down the outside, over the label and onto the table cloth. And because of the molecular surface tension of polyethylene, which makes it antipathetic to most liquids, including wine, there is no troublesome drop clinging even to the lip of the bottle.

Polyethylene is, of course, completely inert and imparts no taste to the delicate wines. Its smooth, waxy surface eliminates undue friction and provides easy removal and reseal of the threaded metal bottle cap. It helps to insure an original leakproof seal.

Although polyethylene fitments have recently become popular for shaker-type bottles, including those for A-1 and French Worcestershire sauces and La Choy sauces, this is believed to be the first application to a pouring bottle for drip prevention.

The original concept of the dripless wine bottle is credited by Roma to Stanford Wolf, executive assistant to the president, who took the idea to the company's glass supplier. Leading thermoplastic fabricators were called in and a three-way development program was set up with Roma's technologists.

Working out all of the details is said to have required two years of experimentation and an expenditure of a quarter of a million dollars.

Once the design was decided upon, an Eastern injection molder was called upon to work out production details.

Sample cavities were then made up to provide pieces for final tests, while at the same time production molds were being completed. When the sample pieces were approved, all features of the approved sample were incorporated directly into the production mold and full production started immediately.

Details of the final assembly into the bottle have not been disclosed, but the collar apparently fits so tightly that there is no problem of lifting with the cap or falling out during the pouring operation. The collar fits inside over the top two threads of the finish and has a smooth surface. Cost figures likewise have been withheld, but as far as can be learned, there has been no increase in the wholesale price of Roma wines, which are merchandised as low-cost, mass-market products.

CREDITS: Bottles, Glass Containers, Inc., 1789 Montgomery St., San Francisco 11. Injection molded polyethylene fitments, Lumelite Corp., Pawling, N. Y., and American Molding Co., 355 Fremont St., San Francisco 5, using Bakelite polyethylene.

DETAILS of finish with the polyethylene collar in place. Note the thin lip of the injectionmolded polyethylene piece.



mericans have an extraordinary A fondness for meat. They eat approximately 60 million pounds of meat daily, on the average, and they spend roughly 24% of their food money for it. Over the past half century, Americans have been consuming approximately 150 lbs. of meat annually per person. During 1953 more than 23 billion pounds of meat were marketed, the end products of 21 million cattle. 10 million calves, 80 million hogs and 13 million sheep and lambs.

The role played by packaging in building the meat industry to its dominant position in the food field can scarcely be overemphasized. It is as important to distribution of meat today as was the development of dependable refrigeration a generation ago. An important part of this recent development is the growth of pre-packaging of fresh meats at the retail level. But that is a story in itself-and one that has been closely followed in Modern Packaging.1 This article is concerned solely with packaging at the meat-packer level, where progress on processed meat products has been equally significant if not quite so spectacular.

Although it was one of the earliest users of the can as a package for processed foods-Libby's corned beef having been a standard ration item during the Civil War-and has long packaged special items such as sliced bacon, the meat industry had made little further progress in packaging up to about 25 years ago. Then, with the advent of the self-service food

1 See "Meat Today," Modern Packaging, Aug., 1952, p. 85.

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store, came the realization that meat products too could benefit from the better package protection, appeal, convenience and brand-name merchandising made possible by improved pack-

aging, the meat industry went into it with great vigor and purpose. In recent years it has furnished many outstanding examples of the finest principles of packaging.2

It is possible for today's shopper to appeal that pays off at the register.

² See "Armour Meat Products," Packaging's Hall of Fame, Modern Packaging, June, 1953, p. 112.

aging materials and methods. When it turned to modern pack-

purchase sanitarily protected, accurately weighed, trademarked, processed meat products in any food store in convenient form for ease of preparation and serving. Through informative labeling or visual features of the package, the busy housewife can see exactly what she is getting for her money and the number of portions obtainable from it. Fine, colorful illustration, recipes, serving suggestions and other useful information supplement the purely functional aspects of the package, providing a built-in sales

CANNED AND GLASSED meat products have won far greater consumer

acceptance through both product and package improvement. Armour's line typifies the topnotch appetite appeal and strong, clean design treatment now prevalent throughout the meat-packing industry.







The meat industry, in fact, in recent years has witnessed perhaps the most dramatic packaging progress of any phase of the food field.

Packer laboratories maintain a constant study of new packaging materials and techniques. In many packer organizations, all packaging activities are centralized under the direction of qualified individuals or a special packaging committee. On the sales side, alert merchandising officials and design experts maintain a close scrutiny over package appearance and its influence on sales results. Labels are frequently redesigned to insure their conformity with changing sales concepts and competition.

Packaging has brought meat products out of the shadow of anonymity and into the light of retail store displays, where they can compete on equal terms with other food products.

Growth of the industry

Statistically, the volume of packaging materials now required by the meat-packing industry reaches astronomical proportions. Although no precise breakdown of these materials is available, individual examples give some idea of the scope. For example, the Trade and Label Division of the Meat Inspection Service, to which Federally inspected meat processors must submit their labels for advance approval, has on file in Washington 205,000 labels covering 9,500 different products put out by 1,000 meat packers under 7,500 brand names.

Statistics of The National Provisioner, recognized publication of the meat industry, list a total of 2,238 manufacturing meat packers, 954 sausage manufacturers and 65 exclusive meat canners in the U.S., in addition to numerous other closely related plants which engage in the production of products ranging from margarine, dog food and shortening to grease, tallow, glue and gelatin. According to this authoritative source, The packer has become a packager and now sells 23 billion pounds a year, taking 24% of the average food dollar





SNUG-FITTING FILM WRAPS and bags-protective and colorfully branded-represent today's most active trend in the meat industry. Few of these items would have been found packaged at all 10 years ago.

meat production amounts to one-third of the total volume of all food products, with meat forming the main course for two or more meals each day for the average American.

In the absence of figures, one can only imagine the quantities of paperboard, cellophane, plastic films and other packaging materials required to package the more than 500 million pounds of frankfurters produced by Federally inspected plants during 1952 and the number of cans necessary to pack approximately 1,700,-000,000 lbs. of canned meat and meat products (exclusive of canned horse meat) produced during the same period. Although total sales of the meat industry in 1952 reached \$11.3 billion, net earnings approximated only \$63 million, or less than six-tenths of a cent per dollar of sales. Due to its traditionally narrow profit margins, the industry is particularly interested in improved packaging and other merchandising developments which will help to improve its earnings position.

At some 400,000 retail outlets, the industry's finished products pass into the hands of the consumer. Most of these units are identified as combination grocery-meat stores; the number

of stores handling meat only is declining steadily. In the Chicago area the number of straight "meat markets" dropped about 20% in 1952 as the trend to supermarket operations continued. The steady growth of selfservice meat operations is indicated by the fact that the number of complete self-service meat departments burgeoned from only 10 stores in 1944 to approximately 7,000 in 1953.

There is scarcely a type of consumer-package material known to the food field which is not used to some extent by the meat-packing industry. Here we find a vast array of packaging



HAND OPERATIONS are inevitable in much meat packaging because of weight and size variations encountered. Here sliced bacon is divided into package portions and check weighed at Armour & Co.

materials and types, ranging from tin and glass to casings of cellulose, saran and other materials; folding cartons, aluminum foil, vegetable parchment, waxed paper and other types of functional papers having greaseproofness and other desirable properties, and a whole range of transparent and semitransparent films, including the big cellophane family, Pliofilm, polyethylene, Cryovac, saran and the many laminated and coated materials.

Canned meats

The metal can continues to carry a tremendous volume of prepared meat products to the consumer. Acceptance of canned-meat products has increased tremendously in the last 15 years, due to processing and packaging improvements. Approximately 70 types of canned-meat items are now on the market, with some 75 companies, including all the major meat packers, having their own canned-meat line. In 1952 canned-meat volume soared to a total of 1,350,300,000 lbs.—almost a fourfold increase over 15 years ago. The rise in per capita consumption is indicated by the fact that 9.23 lbs. were consumed in 1952, as against only 3½ lbs. in 1939.

Conveniently and safely stored in the home for long periods without taking up space in the refrigerator or freezer, canned meats fit the accelerated tempo of modern living. They fit nicely into packer merchandising activities because they permit the producer to offer an integrated line which carries the trademark right to the pantry shelf. The Armour & Co. line of Pantry-Shelf canned and glasspacked meat items, the broadest currently offered by any U. S. meat packer, includes more than 25 items.

Many packers have been modernizing their canned-meat labels to in-

Six ways to package sliced bacon



Vacuumized film wrap



Overwrap on three-sided, interlocked, printed board



Aluminum foil wrap

Window carton



Film overwrap on tray with two-sided, interlocking flaps

Window with a flap



crease eye and quality appeal, to facilitate selection and to provide information of value to the housewife in preparation and serving. The older concept of standard labels has given way to the use of full-color vignettes of the meat product as it appears when ready to serve, tied in closely with the brand name and specific product name. Detailed serving suggestions and related information are customarily confined to the back side of the label to insure maximum display effectiveness for the front panel.

Armour has recently taken an interesting step toward increased consumer convenience in the purchasing of canned hams through the introduction of a sturdy paperboard band with a carrying handle. These bands (see Modern Packaging, December, 1953, p. 124), which may be decorated with an appropriate seasonal motif, are wrapped around the flat surface of the can and sealed at the base by means of cohesive cement that sticks only to itself. Attached firmly to the band is a re-usable, jumbo-sized can opener.

Sliced bacon

Unlike canned meats, which are specialty products requiring operations and facilities possessed by a relatively small number of meat plants, sliced bacon ranks as a basic, branded product put out by practically all packers who are set up to slaughter hogs and process pork. A 240-lb. hog, which dresses out to a wholesale weight of around 180 lbs., yields approximately 27 lbs. of bacon.

The popularity of this product on U. S. dining tables (and, incidentally, its magnitude as a market for packaging materials) may be judged by the fact that in 1952, sliced bacon produced under Federal inspection topped 800 million pounds. Yet, when sliced bacon was first placed on the market in 1915 there were many who felt it had no market future. It was not long before packers came to realize that the most efficient and effective method of handling this product was to wrap or package it directly in the plant, as it came off the slicing machine, in such a manner that brand name would be maintained all the way to the ultimate consumer.

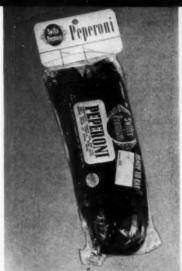
In the early days of sliced-bacon packaging, "blind" cartons and opaque wraps were the prevailing practice. Later, with the introduction of cellophane and other suitable transparent films, came a transition to bacon packages which afforded visual inspection of the slices prior to purchase. More recently, sliced-bacon packages have shown a strong trend toward appetite-appeal product vignettes used in combination with a window area. Concurrently, some progress has been made toward mechanization of baconpackaging operations, although the bulk of this product still has to be wrapped or packaged manually.

Such features as electric-eye registration, automatic cut-off and provision for built-in heat sealing permit the use of continuous rolls of transparent printed wrapping materials for faster production. It is still customary, however, for the bacon to be placed manually on the backing boards and check-weighed before being transferred to the wrapping equipment. Many of the wraps themselves are still applied manually and closure effected by means of hand sealing irons.

The heavy new demands imposed upon sliced-bacon packages by selfservice selling-which also apply in large degree to other meat products sold in this manner-are graphically portrayed in a new marketing-survey film made by a large packaging supplier,3 which has been shown to various meat-industry sales groups. Utilizing the concealed-camera technique, this film consists of close-ups of self-service bacon purchases being made at representative retail food stores in various sections of the country. The most striking point driven home in the film is the almostunbelievable amount of scrutiny and handling many shoppers give the packages before making a final selection-apparently in quest of "the perfect package" with just the desired proportion of lean slices. Studies of the film reveal that the average shopper handled 4.3 packages before making a decision.

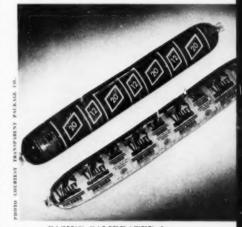
Types of sliced-bacon packages most widely used at present vary from "picture-window" folding cartons, in which some degree of visibility is sacrificed in the interest of greater sturdiness and light protection for the product, to packages which consist essentially of a transparent overwrap used in conjunction with a greaseproof backing board, which may be printed on the reverse side with sell and use copy. There are many patented constructions with special advantages for bacon, including (1) specially designed

² Marathon Corp., Menasha, Wis.





SAUSAGES no longer are ambiguous products of back-alley slaughter houses; through packaging they carry the prestige of top brand names. For hardy types, Swift uses a film bag stapled to price card perforated for hanging. Marhoefer uses popular greaseproof tray overwrapped with printed film.



CASING CALIBRATED for meat chunks and slices is new convenience for retailer and consumer.

TRAYS AND BANDS, both with printed film overwraps, merchandise the Marhoefer name. Locking-type greaseproof band has been inverted to show how sell and use copy appear on bottom of package.



How packaging has upgraded the ubiquitous hot dog



tray sides, simulating weiners from all

angles, and printed overwrap.

KARTRIDG-PAK continuous heat-sealed bands, applied automatically at high speeds, marked a pioneering advance in brand identification. baseboards with fold-over ends which lock in place, masking uneven slice ends; (2) a combination wrap and carton which lends itself to rapid handling and gives a lightproof package although providing visibility of the product, in many cases, through a hinged flap covering the transparent window;4 (3) a prefabricated cellophane envelope into which single slices are inserted on a greaseproof backing board in high-speed manual operations and (4) the flexible vacuum package, which Armour pioneered5 and still uses for a portion of its bacon pack. Convenient tear tapes are beginning to be used on cellophane packages for bacon, including the prefabricated envelopes.

One of the few to buck the consumer demand—real or fancied—for visibility of sliced bacon is the Field Packing Co., Owensboro, Ky., which reports enthusiastic reception for an opaque printed foil package for its Chuck Wagon ranch-style sliced bacon. The company says the foil reduces drying out and keeps the bacon sweeter and milder. Customers seem to appreciate this point and also the convenience of rewrapping unused portions in the protective foil.

Sausage types

As a group, sausage and other types of prepared-meat products have probably been the object of more packaging development than any other class of packer items in recent years. Trade sources estimate that there are now more than 190 varieties of sausage made in this country; one pound of each eight pounds of meat eaten by Americans is in the form of a sausage. Frankfurters, most popular of all sausage products, represent about a third of the total.

Trademark identity has always been a problem with sausage. This was particularly true prior to the introduction, in 1926, of cellulose casings which could be printed. Unfortunately, identity was lost again when the sausage was sliced by the butcher for retail sale. In the period since World War II, this problem has been largely overcome through the packer's practice of pre-slicing sausage and other types of luncheon meats and placing the slices in convenient, protective packages which also bear the packer's brand name and other in-

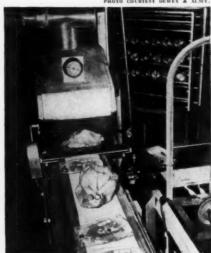
⁴ See "Window with a Shade," MODERN PACKAGING, July, 1951, p. 66.

⁵ See "Flexible Vacuum Package," Modern Packaging, June, 1947, p. 100.



STRETCH-WRAP MACHINE eliminates much of tedious hand wrapping of sausage chunks in Pliofilm, making operation almost fully automatic.

WITH ONE MAN portable set-up, chunk piece is placed on pedestal, covered with Pliofilm "cap" which is "milked" downward to remove air, open end twisted into tight pigtail, pigtail seared off on sealer's hot blade and piece slid down inclined hotplate to complete shrinking and provide a strong, tight, durable heat seal.



HOT WATER IMMERSION shrinks Cryovac to skin-tight fit of ham slice or turkey.

formation useful to the housewife in making her selection.

When the sausage is sold in the form of unsliced chunks or lengths, a suitable type of transparent film is used as a skin-tight outer wrapper which seals the cut ends and permits the printed casing beneath to be seen clearly. All these packaging developments have enabled the packer to intensify his merchandising efforts on many types of sausage and preparedmeat items.

It is in this field that the flexible vacuum package has found its widest adoption. It is now employed by a large number of meat packers throughout the nation for sliced luncheon meats. By greatly extending the shelf life of these products, the vacuum package enables a packer to broaden his distribution area and compete with local suppliers on branded products of this type. The most popular size contains half a pound of meat, with slices arranged either in a solid stack or shingled like bacon.

Sliced luncheon meats are particularly susceptible to discoloration and deterioration when exposed to light. To meet this situation there is a growing trend toward arranging the slices in stacks and topping them with a full-size, full-color, greaseproof paper label which is a realistic reproduction of a slice of the meat itself, with a smaller name-and-price label superimposed in the design.⁶

In addition to "straight" packs containing a single variety of sausage or meat loaf, some packers have introduced interesting variety packs combining several types of products. In bygone days, any shopper asking the butcher to give her "three slices of this and three slices of that" found it rather a time-consuming and involved operation.

Laminations of Pliofilm and cellophane are the most commonly used type of material for the flexible vacuum packages. Saran has also proved to be an excellent material for such packages, which must be capable of holding a vacuum effectively, receptive to printing and able to be used directly in contact with the product without imparting taste or odor.

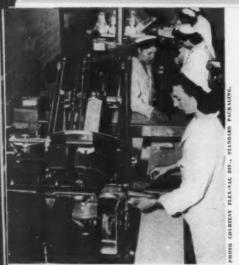
The extent to which other materials and combinations of materials such as

⁶ See "Facsimile Label for Meats," Modern Packaging, March, 1952, p. 194. polyethylene, cellophane coated with polyethylene, etc., may eventually be used for this type of package poses an interesting question. Film producers and converters realize that only through unceasing research and development can they expect to stay abreast of this fast-moving field. And the same thing applies to equipment. Modern, rotary-type vacuum packing machines can evacuate and seal up to 40 packages per minute, as against 18 or 20 per minute for some of the earlier-type machines, which operated on an intermittent cycle and required a larger amount of hand labor. Additional equipment producers are now becoming active in this field and important developments may result.

An interesting and unusual type of semi-rigid vacuum pack brought out

The technical viewpoint

For a timely review of the technical aspects of meat-packaging methods and materials, see "Meat-Packaging Criteria," Technical Section, p. 131, this issue.



VACUUM PACKAGING of sliced luncheon meats, in plant of a Southern meat processor, includes latest slicing and packaging machine (foreground) and rotary-type vacuumizing sealer (rear) that will handle 40 packages a minute. The flexible vacuum package has found its largest adoption in this field.

by Oscar Mayer & Co.⁷ consists of a metal end or base used in conjunction with a snugly fitting wrap of clear saran film which is anchored to the base by means of a crimping operation, utilizing a strip of flexible plastic material as a gasket. This type of package is made on standard cancrimping equipment, the closure being effected in an evacuated chamber. A printed label is applied to the top surface of the wrapper.

[†] See "Semi-Rigid Vacuum Pack," Modern Packaging, Feb., 1952, p. 106. Many packers—particularly those whose distribution area is limited—merchandise sliced luncheon meats in non-vacuumized flexible transparent packages. Since these packages have a relatively brief shelf life, stocks must be watched carefully by retailers and packer representatives.

Pliofilm, Cryovac and cellophane are among the materials most commonly used for tight wrapping or shrink wrapping of chunks or cut lengths of sausage products. Although the printed casing in which the product is stuffed affords excellent protection on the sides of the item and also identifies the product, the meat would dry out and lose its sales appeal quickly unless the cut ends were protected.

The omnipresent hot dog

No review of meat packaging would be complete without mention of the frankfurt, or "hot dog," which tops all other types of sausage products in volume and ranks as one of the industry's most hotly competitive items.

Not so many years ago, a favorite situation portrayed by cartoonists showed a hungry dog bolting from a butcher shop with a string of wieners in tow. Unfortunately, such cartoons accurately epitomized the status of much packer packaging at that time. In contrast, many of today's younger homemakers probably never saw a string of linked frankfurts; they are accustomed to buying them neatly packaged and brand identified.

Oscar Mayer & Co. made an important contribution to frankfurt merchandising about 10 years ago with

the introduction of its Kartridg-Pak continuous banding method, which provided the first positive type of brand identification for wieners, breakfast sausage and other varieties of link-sausage products. This patented type of banding, now available to other packers, employs a specially developed machine to bind the links closely together side by side for convenient handling and identification.

The Oscar Mayer organization—one of the real packaging pacemakers of the meat industry—was also responsible for the development of the Sacko'-Sauce container for canned frankfurts, in which one of the frankfurts is replaced by a Pliofilm bag of barbecue sauce for easy heating and serving, and for the highly protective saran type of casing for consumer-size units of liver sausage, now widely used throughout the industry.

For self-service selling of frankfurts, as well as for link-style pork sausage, a typical package now consists of an overwrap of cellophane, Pliofilm or other transparent material, used in conjunction with a supporting paperboard stiffener, U-board or tray. Although an increasing volume of these packages is being handled on semiautomatic wrapping equipment, manual operations still prevail in many plants and opportunities for increased mechanization are large. Through the use of stainless steel and other corrosion-resistant materials, equipment manufacturers are gradually overcoming the problem of high humidity encountered in the typical meat-plant installation.

Over and above their protective function, many frankfurt packages do an excellent promotional job. Mickelberry's Food Products, Chicago, for example, printed a series of humorous farm animal cut-outs, with high juvenile appeal, directly on the baseboards used for its 1-lb. frankfurt pack with cellophane overwrap. Hunter Packing Co., East St. Louis, Ill., whose pound frankfurt package consists of an overwrapped tray, adopted a printed design for the sides and ends of the tray simulating the appearance of the 10 wieners in the package and devoted the entire bottom surface of the tray to full-color autographed trading card cut-outs of two members of the St. Louis Cardinals baseball team.

Wieners, pork-sausage links and various other types of small sausage items also frequently go to market in (This article continued on page 192)

Two types of frozen-meat packaging

APPETITE APPEAL of wellprinted folding carton, showing ready-to-serve dish, has helped promote big packagers' names.

SIMPLE cellophane overwrap of a printed tray has proved effective for frozen cuts, like steaks and chops, which the customer wants to scrutinize before purchasing.

Self-selling hardware

With visibility packaging and "do-it-yourself" display Yale & Towne makes night latches an impulse item

The latest show-it-to-sell-it merchandiser developed for Yale night latches by Yale Lock Hardware Div. of the Yale & Towne Mfg. Co. illustrates what a little imagination used in packaging can do to put what might otherwise be a routine hardware item on the counter where it actually becomes an impulse item. This is one more example of Yale & Towne's progressive packaging program* that indicates the continuing trend in the hardware industry to packaging designed for self selection.

Each night latch is fully visible in a folding box with an acetate window. Three of these individually packaged Yale streamlined night latches are placed in a new shipping carton which turns into a counter display.

Designed to appeal to the increasing number of "do-it-yourself" customers, the night-latch units include complete instructions describing the simple three-step procedure for their installation.

The colorful display is decorated in eye-catching red, white and blue. Copy states simply the brand and product designation with the sell copy, "Install It Yourself—Today!" A point is made that there are "clear, simple instructions with each package." A close-up illustration is accompanied by a prominent price patch stating: "Only \$4.25."

Special features of the product are listed at the left of the riser piece: "Assured security; may be keyed to other doors for single key convenience; extra long bolt deadlocks against jimmying; streamlined rustless case."

The top of the shipping carton hinges-under the body to form an easeled 20-deg, angle toward the shopper. The riser containing the sales message is a protective flap which fits under the shipping carton when closed. The entire unit is shipped in

a covering throw-away outer sleeve. Compactly designed to take a minimum of counter space, the display

measures only 8 by 8 in.

In each of the individual cartons the main body of the night latch rests on a platform and is held in place by its three screws which are secured by crossed slot cuts in the under portion of the platform. The under portion is made of 200-lb.-test, B-flute corrugated board. The lock cylinder is held firmly in place by carefully sized die cuts.

The display carton and the individual boxes are made of 0.026 patent-coated kraft-back stock. The acetate window is 0.075 in. in thickness. The packer sleeve used for shipping is made of 0.025 bending chipboard.

CREDITS: Carton artwork, Charles Taylor, Riverside, Conn. Design development for display, Herbert F. Kleinhans Associates, 122 E. 42 St., New York. Cartons, Folding Cartons, Inc., of New Jersey, Div. Federal Paper Board Co., 20 River Rd., Bogota, N. J.

ANGLED DISPLAY-SHIPPING CARTON holds three individually packaged night latches. Acetate windows show off streamlined product design.



See "Décor for Doorknoba," Modern Packaging, Aug. 1953, p. 86; also "For Yale & Towne-a Modern Merchandising Package," Modern Packaging, June, 1946, p. 103.

Design

Self-dispensing nozzle on permanent-wave tube



Packaging of Forever Conditioning Cream Neutralizer, a new product by Bonat & Bonat, Inc., provides greater convenience for the beauty-shop operator in giving permanent waves. The product, which is sold only to the trade, is packaged in a collapsible metal tube fitted with a polyethylene plastic dispenser nozzle that enables controlled dispensing of the cream neutralizer. The molded polyethylene tips are supplied to the tube manufacturer who applies them to the metal tubes by a special machine designed and built for this purpose. The operator simply applies the cream to the customer's hair directly from the tube without unnecessary muss or fuss and without measuring or mixing in a separate receptacle.

CHEDITS: Tubes, The Sheffield Tube Corp., New London, Conn. Cartons, Acme Folding Box Co., Inc., New York.



Five-in-one crackers

Five individual packs of different kinds of crackers in a single 1-lb, package introduced by the Wortz Biscuit Co. are reportedly being enthusiastically received in Southwestern test markets. Designed primarily for every-day use to provide a variety of crackers for small families, the assortment is also excellent for parties. Extensive research and planning was done before the final assortment was selected. A survey of housewives' cracker-buying habits resulted in a decision to place 4 oz. each of saltines, graham and round salad crackers and only 2 oz. each of cheese and oyster crackers in the assortment. This gives twice as much of the most popular varieties, with still enough of the others for a serving. An insert in each package points out various uses for the different crackers and explains that the a sortment was packaged for the housewife's convenience. The name, "Family-Pak," was selected to differentiate the package from a party pack. The package carries the Wortz triangular family design and fullcolor illustrations of the five crackers.

CREDIT: Package, Marathon Corp., Menasha, Wis.

Histories

Photographic lenses in a velvet-lined gift box

An elegant jewel-like setting has been provided by Bell & Howell Co. for the individual packaging of its Precision Collimated Movie Camera Lens. The lens and its matching viewfinder objective rest in an inner velvet-covered tray in this two-piece, hinged box, which not only provides protection for the product during shipment and merchandising, but also serves as a protective case for permanent use by the purchaser. In addition, this new box makes an attractive counter display piece for the retailer. Since photographic equipment is becoming increasingly popular for gift giving, its effective display is an important factor in bringing the products to the attention of the shopper. The identifying Bell & Howell picture-film strip runs across the top, front and back of the box.





Purse-size dietetic sweetener

A new convenience for using a concentrated liquid sweetener is offered by the packaging of Sweeta, presented by E. R. Squibb & Sons in a purse-size polyethylene squeeze bottle for the dietetic customer. The 24-cc. plastic bottle, reported to hold the equivalent in sweetness of 432 level teaspoonfuls of sugar, is designed with a ball-in-ball-principle dispensing device, representing considerable study on the part of the company to adapt this method of dispensing to assure easy drop-by-drop release. Two drops are equal to the sweetness of a teaspoonful of sugar. The familiar Squibb label in buff and brown is hot stamped and the cap is brown urea. The handy new purse-size packages are being merchandised in attractive paperboard display cartons containing a dozen each. Squibb reports sales far above forecasts.

CREDITS: Bottles and dispensing device, Plax Corp., Hartford, Conn. Silk-screen bottle labeling, Art Marking Specialists, Inc., North Bergen, N. J.; Poly Perm Printing, Inc., New York, and Anigraphic Process, Inc., Cliffside, N. J. Display carton, E. J. Trum, Inc., Brooklyn.







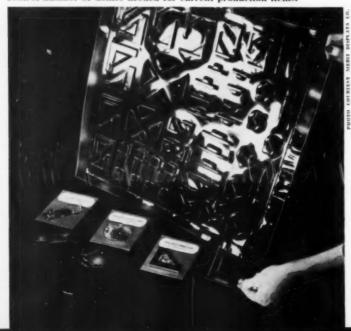
NEW METHOD in which product forms the mold produces skin-tight fit of clear butyrate sheet over steel tape rule. From left: product; vacuum-formed plastic sheath; card in which it is enclosed; plastic sheath viewed top side and the completed package displaying sales copy and use instructions.



ASSEMBLY of components is aided by vacuum-formed dome, which here encloses house number and two screws to mount it. Plastic is stapled to eard.

Vacuum formed plastics New techniques in their production and use are opening up vast new low-cost fields for packaging

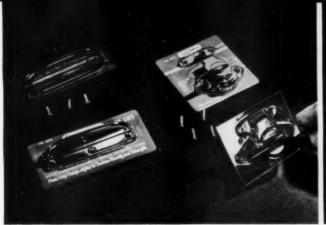
VARIETY IS NO PROBLEM. Transparent domes for a family of 14 hardware items are formed in a single sheet. Individual molds are varied to control number of domes needed for current production items.



Vacuum forming of plastic sheet materials presents the packager with important new opportunities in the field of transparent, contourshaped throw-away packages. Vacuum forming is also a significant new medium in the field of three-dimensional, low-cost displays and point-of-purchase replicas, emblems and similar accessories.

Because of the wide interest that is being aroused by this relatively new and simple process, Modern Packaging has asked forming-equipment makers, plastic-materials suppliers, fabricators and end users to report on the latest developments in regard to vacuum forming, which, basically, employs low-cost machinery, radiation and atmospheric pressure to form plastic sheets into practically any contour desired.

Vacuum-formed plastics are definitely aimed at a wide area in packaging, including the field embraced by low-cost self-service merchandising as well as the packaging of class or specialty items. Vacuumformed plastics thus take on strong interest, for there has long been an unfilled gap in existence between the low-cost film wrap or bag and the more costly formed rigid or semi-rigid plastic container. With certain notable exceptions, the semi-rigid plastic container is usually thought of mainly in connection with higherpriced or specialty merchandise. Generally, too, it is designed as a longuse or re-use container, rather than a throw-away. Vacuum forming, however, seems to be equally well suited for the production of either functional or throw-away containers.



NO LOST PARTS. Clear acetate plastic dome, stapled over Sears Roebuck window hardware, keeps all of the product units intact. The form-fitting contour of the dome also serves to keep the product correctly positioned on the eard.



POWDERED PRODUCTS are filled directly into a contour-shaped dome of plastic which is then mounted on a card. Flexibility of the thin sheet plastic makes for easy dispensing when the dome is punctured.

The round-up of recent examples that follows shows that there are many new avenues of approach to be explored in vacuum forming—some of them undoubtedly pointing the way to new heights of merchandising success for a host of different products.

Vacuum-formed containers

Still the outstanding example of the vacuum-formed all-plastic package is the transparent spheroid container adopted by the U. S. Rubber Co. for its new 1953 line of top-quality golf balls.1 The package consists of connected hemispheres pre-formed from a sheet of clear, 0.0075-in.-gauge cellulose acetate. After the golf balls have been encased between two shells (strips of three are packaged), the flanged edges of the shells are sealed electronically. Not only was this package a significant step forward from the standpoint of the forming and sealing methods used, but it also served to focus serious attention on the fact that the quality look of a semi-rigid transparent package could be achieved with a thin-walled, economical material.

U. S. Rubber has demonstrated that pioneering with the new technique can readily pay worthwhile dividends in terms of process advantages. Its success also emphasizes the fact that entirely new dimensions of design freedom are waiting exploitation on the part of alert and ingenious packagers. The new package has been extremely well received. Recently one small handicap—difficult opening—has been neatly overcome

by incorporating a colored cellulose acetate tear strip, which is an improvement on the opening-notch first used. The colored tear strips add a display touch and also color code the different types of golf balls in the line.

The golf-ball package is a good example of a vacuum-formed container supplied by an outside fabricator who specializes in the process. Most vacuum forming today, in fact, comes from fabricators.

However, a new and outstanding example of the revolutionary potentials in in-plant vacuum forming by the packager is the sheathed jacket now employed by Master Rule Mfg. Co., Middletown, N.Y., for its line of roll-out steel tape measuring rules and replacement blades. Master Rule uses the product itself as a mold, demonstrating a brand new application of the imbedment principle. The objective of the new package is to provide an improved and more controllable method of encasing the retail product in a skin-tight plastic on a rack or counter bin. Over-all, the package is designed so that each rule is attractively displayed, protected, inspectable and accompanied by total sales message-from product features to price to instructions.

Master Rule has produced and improved the package from the standpoints of durability and sales appeal; reduced the cost of the package by about one-fourth (in comparison with the previous loose-fitting plastic cover formed over molds rather than the product itself); eliminated all die cost and, most importantly, solved major problems of inventory and process control.

Because this is one of the most significant examples of vacuum-formed packaging yet to come to light, the technical facts are well worth examination in some detail.

The plastic is cellulose acetate butyrate of 10 mils thickness, cut from a 100-lb. roll into sheets about 18 by 22 in. Each sheet will encase a square pattern of 25 steel tape rules placed within a vacuum-forming frame measuring 17 by 22 in. The machine employed takes small space and consists essentially of an electrically heated head, held at 700 deg. F., which is rolled on ways over the loaded vacuum-forming frame and plastic sheet at a distance of 6 in. above it. A heating time of 25 sec. is provided before the operator throws the hand lever at the front of the machine and permits the vacuum to suck the heated plastic down over the 25 products. The total cycle will not exceed 1 min, for one drawing operation after all production methods and procedures are solved. Presently the over-all cycle is down to 11/2 min., while the process is being worked into Master's production sequence.

Thus, 1,500 steel tape rules per hour may easily be encased, even with the one small machine, and it is calculated that the present set-up is capable of handling 1,000 doz. rules a day in a single 8-hr. shift.

Master Rule has already found that % of one cent for the plastic material, plus % of a cent for labor and current, plus one cent for the die-cut card with cohesive backing, will cover the cost, so that the total package can be produced for 2.3 cents-25%

¹ See "Golf Balls in Contoured Plastic," Modern Packaging, June, 1953, p. 120.



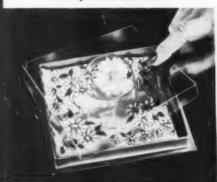
DUAL FUNCTION is performed by this vacuum-formed acetate tray for a chemistry set that rests inside a set-up box. Tray holds various parts of set, also provides wells for mixing chemicals. Tray is formed by simple labor-saving equipment in Gilbert plant, using aluminum molds.

less than the cost of the predecessor package. More significant, however, is the fact that the packager does not have to contend with a variety of package shapes and provide dies with the right assortment of mold shapes. By the prior method of vacuum forming loose-fitting domes over metal molds, there were, according to Master Rule, always too many of one

shape and not enough of another in inventory. The dies used for pre-forming cost approximately \$200 each and had to be changed or replaced in accordance with shifts in the business volume of steel tape rules of different sizes and shapes. This die cost is now completely eliminated, because the rule itself is the mold. Further, there is no problem of delivery or de-

COMBINATION of vacuum forming and fabrication. Vacuum-formed dome holds flower. Dome is formed in acetate sheet before fabrication of sheet into cover of telescope box for handkerchiefs.

LATEST TOUCH in one of the pioneer mass-produced vacuum-formed packages is the addition of a colored tear strip for easier opening of three-in-a-strip U. S. Rubber golf balls. Strip adds a display touch and also color codes types of balls.





lay, since the vacuum-forming machine may be readied for operation in a matter of minutes. Also, the loose-fitting dome formed over a metal mold had to be 15 mils in thickness, whereas the tight-fitting sheath need be only 10 mils in thickness.

Definitely, no criticism of the vacuum-formed pre-fabricated dome previously used should be inferred. Actually sales jumped 65% as a result of original adoption of the dome in connection with modern self-service display techniques. The principal reason for conversion to an in-plant operation was the fact that this particular product lent itself well to being used as a mold and obviously the production of steel tapes could not be transported to the fabricator for packaging. By the same token, there will always be many applications where the product cannot be the mold and where fabricator supply will be de-

Most dramatic is the ability of the new method to sheathe almost any shape—even including a coiled replacement blade. The resulting job even matches into the engraving of the product and bulges inward into all of its crevices and openings. Yet one quick rip removes the plastic as a unit, however tight the fit.

Perhaps the nearest thing to this new technique is plastic stripcoating by the dipping method, although the two are not really comparable.

The vacuum-drawing plate consists of a wooden base with routed air channels, in a radiating pattern, topped with 1/2-in. hardware cloth, on which rests a tempered Masonite plate (scored to direct the placement of products and give guide lines for later shearing when the packaged rules are cut apart.) The vacuum ports through the Masonite plate are drilled so that they open under the product. This important new technique facilitates the sucking of the plastic sheet tightly into contact with every surface of the product without entrapment and provides a good, flat flange which is perfect for assembly into the folding display card.

Control of temperature in the head is by means of an on-off unit consisting of a mercury switch actuated by a small motor. Control is effected by adjustment of the percentage of on and off time. Temperature indication is by a sector-type thermometer, the thermocouple of which is sewed into the fabric on the underside of the

heating head. Heating-cycle control is actuated by a microswitch with a roller attached to its leaf and thrown by a cam on the side of the heating head as it is drawn forward to start a heating cycle. The alarm at the termination of the 25-sec. cycle is by bell. It is at this moment that the operator moves the vacuum-valve lever. Drawing and cooling are almost instantaneous.

The formed sheet and imbedded rules are then lifted out as a unit for cutting and subsequent carding. The contour fit of the plastic around the product is so tight that the rules are actually locked into their individual plastic jackets for handling, although they can readily be forced out the open side. The skin-tight fit thus immobilizes the product and reduces exposure to air to a minimum-by-product features that are not essential in packaging steel tapes, but which might be important for certain products needing protection from shock or corrosion.

Carded products

The card-and-plastic-dome package, as used by Master Rule, has been one of the major fields for vacuum forming.2 Currently, the hardware field, under the impact of the new self-service trends enlivening this field, is showing strong interest in the plastic-domed card. Sears Roebuck & Co. have adopted a cellulose acetate cover for carded window-sash catches and window lifts. Reflexite has come out with a three-dimensional plastic cover for house numbers. The Brainard Mfg. Co. is "blister" packaging a whole family of hardware parts such as metal angles, hinges and brackets. A variety of shapes for these parts are molded in each single sheet. Inventory problems for varying demands are solved in subsequent runs by altering the individual molds patterned in each sheet, it is claimed.

A number of closure methods are available for attaching plastic-encased products to cards. The flange techniques peculiar to vacuum forming lend themselves to stapling or to mounting in doubled-over die-cut cards.

The plastic hood is especially useful when enclosing product components such as screws, bolts or unassembled pieces, because it protects them against accidental loss or pilfer-

age. Other advantages include improved display at a cost most selfservice products can readily absorb.

Trays and holders

The vacuum-formed plastic tray is being used in a variety of ways. Seethrough cavities can be molded that help inventory the product. In other instances neatness, compactness or novelty in display are the virtues obtained. The Navy, for example, has used a vacuum-formed, transparent, rigid vinyl tray in one of its test kits. The tray's form-fitting cavities not only hold each tool in place, but also immediately inventory the kit.

The A. C. Gilbert Co. is employing vacuum-formed trays inside the conventional set-up boxes that package children's toys, such as chemical and magic sets, having many parts. The forming is done in-plant. The methods and results offer an interesting case example because considerable pioneering was involved.

With vacuum forming, the company visualized a pocketed plastic tray manufactured inexpensively and utilizing low-cost molds. Other advantages could be seen, such as the elimination of tearing, warping and fading experienced with the colored chipboard platforms previously used; the saving of steel used in pins and the time and labor of pinning parts to the tray; elimination of conveyor operators that were needed in other, critically labor-short departments and an attractive new sales feature, always welcome on toy counters.

The size and style of machine, ever a problem to the beginner, were decided upon and while the machine was being built to specifications, a set of metal-sprayed molds was prepared for a puzzle set.

After the machine was delivered the molds were tried and found satisfactory for only limited production. However, they did serve to determine the type of materials to use and the trimming methods. Clear cellulose acetate, 0.010 in. in gauge, was finally settled on, which would give a clear, well-molded tray at the right price.

Trimming raised the question of whether to trim in the mold or on an outside press. Both methods were tried and, for Gilbert's particular type of tray, trimming in the die box on the molds was the method chosen. This is now done using a standard shoe knife in the die box on a set

Three simple steps in new in-plant imbedment method of vacuum forming



25 AT A TIME, Master Rule steel tapes are placed in the frame of an in-plant vacuumforming machine. Frames are scored for correct positioning.



BUTYRATE SHEET is placed over the coiled tapes. Heater (above) is then pulled into position for 25 seconds and vacuum is drawn around each rule.



LOCKED IN POSITION, the rules are removed from machine with the formed sheet. The units are then die ent and individually mounted on display eards.

² See "Transparent Carding," Modern Packaging, March, 1952, p. 200.



RAISED LETTERING, vivid colors and molded-in frames for inserts are all vacuum formed in one piece from translucent butyrate plastic sheet. This illuminated display for serve-yourself refrigerated ice-cream cabinet is light weight, durable, low in cost. Flavor strips may be changed.

Three dimensional displays are readily vacuum-formed

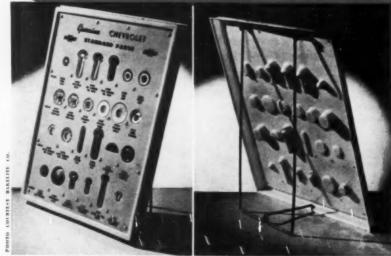
of three molds. Production rate for one operator is approximately 1,500 trays per day.

These trays are 18 in, long by 10 in, wide by 1 in, high. The vacuum former employed is a two-sided machine, which turns out approximately 3,000 trays a day with two operators. Yearly production of the various types and sizes of trays is about 300,000.

The metal-sprayed molds first used did not hold up with the trimming methods and so the development of low-cost, solid cast-aluminum production molds was started. These are now used extensively and are made by first producing a male wood pattern. Over this is made a female white-metal master casting. This master is very smooth, for on this depends the final finish of the molded plastic piece. From the master is made a plaster casting, from which is made the final aluminum mold used by Gilbert.

After the aluminum mold is hardened and cooled, it is drilled with a multitude of vacuum holes and is then ready for production. These final molds have been produced for about \$175 each. Six molds of each type have been made for production.

Gilbert's machine is now set up with automatic controls that take the guesswork out of the operation. The puzzle line, small chemistry set and small magic set have been converted to this type of packaging.



FRONT AND BACK VIEWS of a complex display easily handled with low-cost vacuum molds. Shapes and depths of wide variation are accommodated in this rigid vinyl counter display for Chevrolet parts. Vacuum-formed plastic displays offer all the virtues of costlier permanent-type displays.



3-D REALISM is provided in this combination paperboard and plastic display. Can is a faithful replica in shape and colors of actual package.

The new packaging has reduced requirements on each production conveyor set-up from 20 operators to four. The released operators were transferred to a department that was short of help.

It would normally be thought that this decrease in labor would reduce the cost of producing the sets; however, this is not the case, because of the added cost of the plastic sheet. The reduced cost of labor just offsets the cost of the material, the company says, but Gilbert has a better product with its "place-for-everything" trays.

A. C. Gilbert is now experimenting with the repackaging of more toys in such trays to improve sales appeal. The trays not only add display attractiveness, but in some instances can be made to serve double duty by providing depressions for mixing chemicals or for performing some similar function that is integral with the use of the product.

Displays

The advantages of vacuum forming in the display field are outstanding. Facsimile reproductions of various container forms, complete with faithful label and design detail, are used by many different firms. So are three-dimensional reproductions of trademarks, trade figures, seals and emblems of all types.

Thin gauges of plastic sheet formed by vacuum lend themselves to the creation of illuminated signs. A stock model produced for selfservice ice-cream departments, for example, is formed from butyrate sheet in one translucent white piece, with molded-in letters and panels for flavor cards and product photograph. Vacuum-formed faces of different design can be inserted in the display's steel frame, which is designed to permit replacement. Advantages stemming directly from the vacuum-forming process include low cost, raised lettering, molded-in frames for color transparencies or flavor strips and the use of a durable, light-weight plastic material that lends itself to illumina-

Such advantages are reported for a backlighted display used at point of purchase for Sunny Brook Whiskey. This vinyl plastic display is lithographed in eight colors, pre-printed in distortion prior to forming. The cowboy theme of the display is realistically carried out even to faithful contours of the rawhide lacing that encircles the rim of the display.

A display used in promoting Maxwell House Coffee combines vacuumformed vinyl plastic with a die-cut paperboard mounting card. In this case a realistic three-dimensional replica of the famous Maxwell House container, two times the size of the actual can, is produced.

A display for Kleinert's Swim Caps demonstrates still another use of vacuum-formed vinyl. In this case a light-weight dummy head is mounted on the display panel of the retail carton. An actual swim cap is "worn" by the head model. Plastic profiles offer a whole host of similar opportunities for realistic display of apparel.

The above-mentioned displays all share advantages that are new and vital in the display field. According to Albert Hailparn, president of the Einson-Freeman Co., Inc., Long Island City display manufacturers with considerable experience in this new technique, the steadily rising demand for vacuum-formed displays stems from mounting competition for space in retail outlets as well as from the trend toward greater use of permanent-type displays. Vacuum-formed plastic displays offer all the virtues of costly permanent displays at a fraction of the cost, it is said. Even a minor advantage is not insignificant: Because of their negligible weight, compared with the heavy poundage of most solid permanent displays, the vacuum displays can be suspended on walls by non-disfiguring miniature picture hooks, vacuum cups, etc. Retailers naturally welcome easy handling features.

Basic points

The case studies cited above (and they are typical of many others now in existence or developing) justify a (This article continued on page 198)



LIFELIKE vinyl display achieved with vacuum that draws piece to maximum 8-in. depth. Distorted flat printing, in color, becomes realistic after forming.



LIGHT WEIGHT permits attachment of life-size profile, wearing actual cap, to header piece of otherwise-conventional display carton for bathing caps. 3-D quality lifts display out of ordinary.

PACKAGING





An appropriate optical illusion of depth is achieved by the wavy dark and light blue lines on the corrugated container for Three Dimension Co.'s Show Pak "300" Projector. The design also gives depth to the bottom display panel bearing company name and address. Other products in the firm's line will soon be shipped in similar family packages. Container, Stone Container Corp., Chicago.

2 Each bottle of Zodiac, a new cologne marketed by Calmac, Inc., promoted as a birthday gift item, is accompanied by a birthday greeting eard containing individual horoscopes for all 12 signs of the Zodiac. The gold foil and purple carton is of double-wall construction, which eliminates the need for a corrugated insert. The inner wall is used for a star-studded sky effect tying in with the Zodiac motif. Carton, Robertson Paper Box Co., Inc., Montville, Conn. Labels, Ever-Ready Label Corp., Belleville, N. J. Bottle, Carr-Lowrey Glass Co., Baltimore, Md. Closures, Richford Corp., New York.

Maximum appeal and durability at minimum cost have been achieved by the Chester H. Roth Corp. for its "Fruit of the Loom" children's socks with this 3½-by-12-in. board overwrapped with 11-by-15-in. cellophane sheets. Shingle arrangement of the socks displays the story-book character designs on the cuffs. Package, Clay Printing Co., New York, using Sylvania cellophane.

A New Instant Maxwell House Coffee jars in both the 2and 6-oz. sizes have higher shoulders and a larger white star on the jar cap for price stamping. Mouth of the 6oz. jar illustrated has been widened for easier access to product. Jars and caps, Anchor Hocking Glass Corp., Lancaster, Ohio. Labels, U. S. Printing & Lithograph Co., Cincinnati.

Multiple-unit sales of Kit's Peanut Butter Caramels in supermarkets are promoted by Fair Play Caramels, Inc., with a printed cellophane bag holding 20 individual packages, each containing three pieces of candy. The single-construction bag, reverse printed, illustrates a boy with a hoop, the center of the hoop bearing the words "60 pieces." Bags, The Dobeckmun Co., Cleveland.







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Can Spray, a new garbage-can deodorant and repellent manufactured by Henderize, Inc., was recently selected as the best aerosol package of 1953 by the Chemical Specialties Mfrs. Assn. This spray package was cited for eye appeal, simplicity and clarity of instructions and effectiveness of the design in quickly describing the product and creating impulse sales, Can, Crown Cork & Seal Co., Inc., Crown Can Div., Philadelphia. Spray valve, A. Schrader's Son, Inc., Div. Scovill Mfg. Co., Inc., Brooklyn. Custom packager, Par Industries, Los Angeles.

The Schacht Rubber Mfg. Co. packages its 6-ft. coil of Daisy brand rubber drain hose in a round-bottom transparent polyethylene bag which gives a neat, tight fit and makes an eye-catching display for this hard-to-package product. The bag, printed in red, white, blue and yellow, has descriptive copy listing its various home uses. Bag, Central States Paper & Bag Co., St. Louis, Mo.

Aunt Jemima's portrait takes a less-prominent place on redesigned cake-mix packages featuring a large full-color reproduction of a tempting cake against a soft blue background, Back panels have been redesigned for better legibility of baking instruction. The Quaker Oats Co. has increased the package size for added appeal to economy-minded housewives.

A dispenser package that works similarly to a facialtissue carton for Dow Corning Corp.'s Silicone-Treated Sight Savers for home, office and factory users now supplements the pocket match-book-style packages of these eyeglass polishing tissues. The carton is made of a lamination of gravure-printed transparent film to unprinted board. "Dispenser-Pak" carton, Shellmar-Betner Flexible Packaging Div., Continental Can Co., New York, using "Colodense" color process on "Shell-Pli" material.

All horizontal cartons of C. F. Mueller Macaroni Co.'s macaroni and spaghetti "long goods" are now packaged in acetate-window cartons permitting a view of the contents. Use of moisture-resistant boxboard for the new packages eliminates the need for the former inner and outer wraps. Cartons, Atlantic Carton Corp., Norwich, Conn., and The Nevins Co., Clifton, N. J.









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FIRST to receive the new heatsealable foil-acetate wrap was medical X-ray film-a critical product from the standpoint of moisture protection. Kodacolor roll film-another product highly sensitive to moisture-was first of Kodak roll films to receive new wrap for both domestic and export distribution.

 ${f E}$ astman Kodak's new universal overwrap for the protection of photographic roll and sheet film marks one more significant step in Kodak packaging progress° and provides a striking example of the use of laboratory methods for determining package performance.

With the selection of a commercially available, heat-sealable barrier material-a lamination of aluminum foil, acetate and a resinous heat-sealing coating-the new universal pack climaxes a program of many years' research for a package that provides optimum moisture protection whether film is distributed domestically or in the most severe tropical climates.

The project involved the analysis of more than 3,000,000 sample packages-2,000,000 during the wartime packaging program and another million since the war.

The new universal pack, with few exceptions, eliminates the need of special tropical packaging and brings the protective properties of domestic packages up to export or tropical standards. It permits mechanical or semi-automatic packaging without the need of special lines to handle tropical packs, thus effecting production and handling economies.

The deleterious effects of moisture on film emulsions have been recognized since the beginning of photographic-film manufacture. As early as 1912 Eastman began wrapping roll film in lead foil. Later, lead foil was used in combination with waxed paper to give greater protection in case of pinholes in the foil. During the '20s, with the introduction of aluminum foil. Kodak began using this material in combination with waxed paper.

As more highly sensitive films were developed, packaging problems became more challenging. Intensive packaging studies were undertaken during the mid-'30s to prevent excess water vapor from entering packages of X-ray film. This research indicated the efficiency of foil laminations, but as far as civilian and non-critical requirements were concerned, the development was retarded by the scarcity of aluminum due to the war. During that period all effort was directed toward the development of a wartime substitute for civilian use (a wax lamination of two glassine papers overcoated with a water-vapor-resistant formulation) and the more vital problems of packaging film supplies for the military to

In Kodak's



TOP FLOOR of one of Kodak's film-manufacturing buildings at Kodak Park is devoted to storage testing of film packages. Rooms along "corridor of climates" are specially built to simulate every climate in the world.

See "Eastman Kodak Film," Packaging's Hall of Fame, Modern Packaging, June, 1952, p. 98; also "New Coordinated Program for 35,000 Kodak Packages," Modern Packaging, Oct., 1945, p. 91.

pack Analysis of 3,000,000 samples proves the efficiency of special foil wrap for both domestic and tropical film

withstand more severe conditions than anything dreamed of up to that time.

Out of the wartime experience and the need for optimum protection in the form of both water-vapor and liquid-water barriers, plus improvement in techniques of heat sealing, came the know-how that has led to the company's present universal pack.

The material evolved is basically a standard water-vapor barrier widely used in military and protective packaging. Eastman reports that the combination has been modified to increase protection, provide easier handling and reduce cost—although the company has not disclosed details of these modifications.

Among the interesting phases of Kodak's film-packaging procedure are the test methods and laboratory facilities for determining package performance.

One of the earliest technical problems was to determine how much moisture content films should have. Experience has shown that optimum moisture content in photographic film lies within the range of 40 to 60% relative humidity, depending on the type of film, the manufacturing and trade requirements. If film moisture content drops much below the optimum, the film dries out, which causes discharge markings, excessive brittleness and curl. If the film becomes too moist, its photographic sensitivity deteriorates, the surface changes and it may become tacky. When optimum moisture content lies within the 40 to 60% relative-humidity range, it is considered in equilibrium with relative humidity. Measurements of moisture gain or loss in film packages are determined in per cent changes of the weight of a given-sized sample in relation to the relative-humidity range. An accompanying graph illustrates idealized moisture-equilibrium Today, the entire top floor of one of the film-manufacturing buildings at Kodak Park in Rochester is devoted to the storage testing of film packages, where they are measured for gain or loss of moisture.

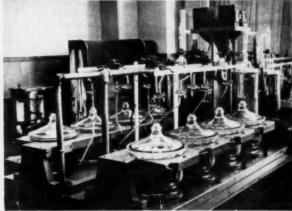
Among the equipment is what Kodak calls a "corridor of climates," because it opens into rooms especially built to approximate any atmospheric condition in the world, controlled to ±½ deg. F. and ±1% r.h.

One room at 120 deg. F.–20% r.h. simulates desert conditions; another at 90 deg. F.–90% r.h. simulates tropical conditions at the Isthmus of Panama; 90 deg. F.–20% r.h. for comparison with Panamanian temperature at low relative humidity; 80 deg. F.–60% r.h. for average United States conditions, and 0 deg. F. for winter-time keeping. Other areas approximate conditions of special handling in ordinary trade channels.

As a result of World War II pack-

corridor of climates



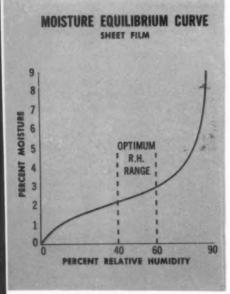


MOISTURE-ANALYSIS equipment, with vacuum apparatus in foreground and analytical balances in background, used in testing film.

TESTING-ROOM interior shows size of vault, and number and variety of packages involved in storage testing of film packages in this case at 80 deg. F. and 60% relative humidity.



GROUP of packages in Kodak's general photographic film line, all of which are being given moisture protection provided by the now commercially available combination of aluminum foil, thin acctate sheet and resin coating, modified to Kodak's own specifications.



OPTIMUM MOISTURE content in photographic film lies within range of 40 to 60% r.h. If film moisture content drops below optimum, film will dry out. If film becomes too moist, its photographic sensitivity deteriorates and the film may become tacky.

aging development, Kodak has established a definite system for testing raw materials and packaging methods on sensitized-film products. The system covers three steps, each of which can be a stopping place if results show beyond further doubt that the material or process cannot be applied successfully to film packaging:

1. Evaluation of new materials for (a) determination of water-vapor permeability; (b) compatibility with photographic emulsions; (c) physical characteristics; (d) tightness of closure. If the material successfully meets the standards set up for the characteristics measured in the first step, it is subjected to the second.

2. Three-month storage test of laboratory-made completed packages at 90 deg. F.—90% r.h. These packages are made to simulate the actual trade package, using film previously conditioned to a given equivalent relative humidity. The packages are made in sufficient quantity to provide valid averages. The film in these packages is analyzed for its moisture content before and after the storage period. To be considered successful, the package during storage has to prevent the

film from gaining more than 10% equivalent relative humidity.

3. Storage tests of samples made under normal factory conditions and evaluated in a manner described in the second step above. The only difference is that the samples are subjected, previous to three months' storage at 90 deg. F.—90% r.h., to a specially designed Kodak handling test. This test consists of dropping, vibrating, etc., in a manner that approximates a cross-country trip in a freight car under conditions slightly more severe than average.

If the production-made packages come through the third step successfully, recommendation is made that the package be adopted for commercial distribution and the new packaging material is put into use.

This three-step system eliminates unsuitable materials at an early stage and, because of the long time and large number of completed packages involved in the tests, Kodak has found, prevents premature adoption of a possibly unsuitable material.

Kodak's moisture-analysis method used in determining both moisture content of packages under test and the various moisture equilibrium curves is a simple weight-evaluation procedure.

Suitable samples are taken from the packages in the rooms in which the conditioning is done and are weighed in tared weighing bottles. Samples are then placed in a vacuum chamber where the pressure is reduced to about 50 microns. After a suitable time at this low pressure, the samples are again weighed and the weight loss is computed and expressed in terms of per cent weight change from the original weight.

This method of measuring moisture content of photographic films was extremely useful during the war because of the very large number of samples that could be analyzed daily by semi-technical laboratory assistants. During the war nearly 1,000 samples were analyzed daily. Since that time the number averages about 500 per day.

Kodak package-testing procedure is probably among the most highly developed in all modern industry.

CREDIT: Barrier material, The Dobeckmun Col, 3301 Monroe Ave., Cleveland 13, Ohio; Shellmar-Betner Flexible Packaging Div., American Can Co., Mt. Vernon, Ohio; Reynolds Metals Co., 2500 S. Third St., Louisville 1, Ky.

A program for parts

Reo draws on automotive-industry experience to organize orderly packaging for its power lawn-mower service parts

W ith almost a million Reo power mowers now in use and tens of thousands more families making the switch to power lawn mowing every year, Reo Motors Lawn Mower Div., Lansing, Mich., largest producer of power mowers for the home, realized something had to be done to organize its packaging program to protect the company's extensive and profitable

service-parts business.

For years Reo field men had noted that distributors' and service dealers' shelves and drawers were often a confusion of nuts, bolts, carburetors and gas tanks. Parts men also often complained of corrosion of material in their inventory as well as loss due to breakage and pilferage. And the jumbles of power lawn-mower parts lying on dusty shelves made stock control and inventory very difficult.

Taking a cue from the automotive industry and its efficient parts-packaging programs, Reo embarked on an

over-all packaging project.

A supplier specializing in such packaging activity was called in by Sam Briggs, vice president in charge of lawn-mower sales. An analysis of Reo's problem indicated that it consisted of four factors: design, standardization, identification and protection.

First essential was the selection of a distinctive design and color combination to give instant recognition to Reo parts. After members of the service, sales and advertising departments gave careful consideration to a number of designs submitted by independent designers, a distinctive white, green and red trade symbol was chosen for reproduction on every Reo lawn-mower parts package, thereby giving an over-all family resemblance.

The next problem was the development of standardized shapes and sizes of packages that would handle the greatest variety of parts in the smallest number of package types. After months of research in which the engineering staff, field service representatives and distributors cooperated,



UNIFORM TRADEMARK brings all packages into Reo family. Shown is a typical group among the 18 standardized shapes of fibreboard boxes and six sizes of envelopes which presently takes care of the company's entire requirements. Correct identity is provided by imprinting the part number, the exact part name and the quantity of product enclosed.

12 standardized sizes and shapes of tough fibreboard folding boxes and six sizes of envelopes were adopted to cover all present requirements based on appropriate quantities and units for the average field stock.

For example, if the factory recommends that a stock of 24 units be kept for a particular type of nut, then the package to hold that nut is designed for that quantity. In this way, costly handling, sorting and counting at every point of distribution is greatly reduced. A special label is used in instances where the standardized boxes or envelopes are not practical.

To assure clear and accurate identification of each part, every box, envelope and label has imprinted on it the part number, quantity and exact part name. Formerly when parts were designated by hand or typewritten labels, words and numbers often were found to be illegible or incorrect.

From experience gained in the automotive and electrical appliance fields, Reo has been able to adopt the newest packaging methods to protect parts from rust, corrosion, dust and damage during shipment. Weatherproof shipping boxes of a specified strength to exceed all normal hazards encountered in shipping and handling are used. Delicately machined parts receive special moisture-resisting oil treatments. Finely adjusted parts, such as carburetors and valves, are given shockproof packing.

Reo executives believe their new service-parts packaging program is the first of its kind in the power mower industry. Dealers are now receiving their parts orders in the new packages and soon their entire inventories will be supplied in these colorful, efficient new cartons and envelopes. The new packaging, according to Mr. Briggs, answers a long-felt need and sets an example in the power mower industry that others no doubt will follow.

CREDIT: Folding cartons and envelopes, The Great Lakes Box Co., 7275 Wentworth St., Cleveland, Ohio.



"Foods in glass more than anything else contribute to impulse sales"

says ED SILVERBERG, General Manager, Pick-N-Pay Super Markets, Inc. Cleveland, Ohio

"Fruit and vegetable items in glass have a sparkle, are colorful and attract the shopper's attention in a way that makes glasspacked merchandise a very valuable part of our canned-goods sections.

"We are interested in quality packs of glass-packed fruit and vegetables. We take advantage of practically all such items that are offered and give them eye-level location on our shelf sections because we find they fit into the modern shopper's self-service shopping scheme of things.

"We believe an increasing supply of items and brands of foods in glass will do more than anything else to contribute to impulse, fast turnover, self-service sales."



Housewives have two strong reasons for favoring glass salespackages. First, they can see the quality of product they are buying; and second, the glass container is so easy to use and store in refrigerators.

Today's self-service selling demands a self-selling package— GLASS!





Appetizers in glass salespackages with colorful labels create both appetite and eye appeal. Result—displays in glass packs boost impulse sales.

With the growth of self-service, your product no longer has the sales advantage of personal selling by clerks. The package should be geared to quick selling for you during the few seconds the shopper decides what to buy.

Glass is an ideal salespackage for olives among many fine food products because it attracts shopper's attention with sparkle and color . . . stimulates impulse sales by showing off the deliciousness of the product inside . . . convinces with an honest display of the quality of your brand.

And, glass wins repeat sales, too. Easy-to-use glass packages offer housewives a safe, convenient way to store unused portions in refrigerators.

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Self-partitioning carton

Stamped from a single piece of corrugated, it sets up for G.E. into an exceptionally strong 10-cell shipper

A one-piece, die-cut, corrugated carton so ingenious in its construction that in a few seconds it can be set up, by reason of its own die-cut flaps, into a 10-cell container of such exceptional strength that the bottom need not always be taped or glued is now being successfully used by the General Electric Co., Fort Wayne, Ind., for shipping transformers and other electrical equipment.

The new self-partitioning carton is designed to hold 10 or 20 transformers, with the individual cell sizes of the containers now being used ranging from 2% by 1% by 3% in. to 8% by 4% by 5% in. The container blank may be die cut from a single sheet of board, or it may be formed from two joined-together sheets.

Adoption of the carton with its unusual flap extensions has made it possible for the company to realize many savings. As one instance, the interlocking feature of the flaps makes a tight closure for the bottom, eliminating the need in the lighter weights for a taped or glued closure. Also as an outgrowth of the sturdily engineered carton, complaints and damage claims from customers have shrunk to practically zero.

The greatest tribute to the selfpartitioning carton is a 20% reduction in the cost of packaging materials and a 40% reduction in labor costs on almost every application. In an earlier method of packaging, considerable labor and packaging materials were involved. Employed at that time were regular slotted corrugated fibreboard containers which entailed wrapping the individual transformers and using die-cut inserts or partitions as cushioning or blocking to protect the products during shipment.

Excessive costs spurred General Electric to evolve a more satisfactory method. Examined first was a patented, six-cell, one-piece folding carton having flap extensions which form the cells inside the box. Here at least, the company found, separate partitions and inserts were unnecessary—but the limitation of six cells ruled the container out. Headed in the right direction, however, the company agreed that the container should be self-partitioning, but should have 10 cells instead of six and that all three dimensions.

sions of the individual cells should be variable, depending upon the carton

The first application for the newly designed container was for a fluorescent lamp ballast at the company's Danville, Ill., plant. Since this first use, many other applications have been found. Control transformers, amplistats, luminous tube transformers and permafil transformers are now packaged in the 10-cell containers. Twenty of the smaller-size transformers are packaged in one of the cartons by placing two transformers, one on top of the other, in each of the cells.

Now adopted as the standard carton for this type of product, the 10cell carton requires only 11 box sizes, while formerly 16 box sizes were needed. This, of course, has meant a sizable reduction in the company's package inventories.

Three basic steps, performed manually but rapidly on General Electric's production line, are called for in the assembly of the cartons. A prerequisite to understanding the assembly is to picture clearly the structure of the cartons-four die-cut flaps on what eventually becomes the bottom of the carton and four flaps on the top, only two of which, both sides, are die cut. The regular, unslotted flaps are for closing the formed carton.

Following are the steps in assembling the cartons:

Step 1: Starting with the four diecut bottom flaps, tuck the narrow diecut side flaps into the carton. These flaps are grooved to interlock with the remaining two flaps waiting to be brought into position. Take each of the remaining die-cut flaps, bend along score lines and insert into

STRENGTH of the completed box, even when empty, is sufficient to support a 200-lb. man.



grooves of the first two flaps. Now formed is the bottom portion of the carton which exhibits great strength and requires additional tape or glue closure only for the heavier types of

Step 2: Turn the carton over so it is now standing upright. It is generally necessary to push the first two flaps down against the bottom of the container for a snug fit. At this point, two cell walls, formed by the four bottom flaps, are in position.

Step 3: The two additional walls, still needed to form the 10 cells, are constructed by tucking each of the two slotted top flaps down into the two die-cut sections remaining inside

the carton. However, this last step is taken only after the two transformers are put in place in the two cells on each end of the carton. This is because the slotted top flaps cover the cells when they are put in position. The two remaining, unslotted flaps are then brought down on the carton and sealed in place.

Operators can assemble the cartons rapidly once they hit a stride and certainly save much time over the previous system of individual wraps and

CREDIT: Corrugated cartons, The Hinde & Dauch Paper Co., 407 Decatur St., Sandusky, Ohio.

HERE'S HOW IT WORKS

BOTTOM UP, slotted end flaps are broken at score and pushed in place. Their end sections form middle two cross-wise dividers.



LENGTHWISE FLAPS on the bottom form a double lengthwise divider, slotted to lock with all of the four crosswise partitions.



TOPSIDE UP, the carton is completed by bringing top end flaps over and down inte slots of lengthwise divider. Normally, the product (transformers in ease) would be placed in end cells before this final operation is done





Jell-O's shelf-display technique

This "shelf-frame" display offered by the Jell-O Co. Div. of General Foods Corp. suggests a new space-saving attention-getter technique for the supermarket shelf. It is being used to aid grocers in promoting a new line of Jell-O instant puddings in three flavors—chocolate, vanilla and butterscotch. By means of the shelf frame, the grocer is enabled to feature the new items without using additional display space. Attention is attracted to the Jell-O instant puddings right where the packages are stacked on the shelf, at the point of sale.

The unit consists of four separate pieces. The two barber-pole-type vertical frames are designed to be inserted into the shelf at the sides of the packages to set the Jell-O instant pudding section off from other items. The top piece, which fits over the top row of packages, is die cut into the shape of four arrows, each printed with the word "New," and pointing to the packages below. The bottom piece, carrying sell copy and an oval patch for price marking, slips under the first row of packages.

CREDIT: Shelf-frame display, Spurgeon Tucker, New York.

DISPLAY

Cozy fireplace promotion of soft drinks



Canada Dry's entire line of soft drinks is effectively displayed in this eye-compelling self-service "Fireplace" floor stand that measures almost 5 ft. in height. The display suggests the company's soft drinks as winter-time beverages and it has been reported to be highly effective in promoting impulse sales in retail outlets. The unit is constructed of eight wooden beverage cases covered with corrugated paper printed in a red brick design. The eight cases are arranged around the central display card-a full-color lithographed fireplace scene measuring 23½ in. wide and 28% in. high. Atop the fireplace is a reproduction of a fireplace clock-also lithographed in full color. Quart beverage bottles are arranged in the covered wooden cases and on top of the display, with price prominently shown at four places. Six-bottle carry-home cartons of soft drinks are arranged on either side of the unit.

CREDITS: Printed corrugated paper, Sherman Paper Products Corp., Newton Upper Falls, Mass. Display cards, John M. Haass, New York.

Lipstick unit with testing mirror

Three features are combined by the Northam Warren Corp. in this Cutex Stay Fast Lipstick display: a full-sized mirror, a color chart and lipstick samples. Aimed at the mass lipstick market, this attention-getting unit holds 2 doz. lipsticks in six of the best-selling shades.

With the unit, the retailer is provided with 48 Cutex lipstick samples, free of charge. These samples enable customers to make a quick, simple color choice and also eliminate a costly problem for the retailers, who suffer losses from soiled and smeared lipsticks used by customers as testers. Copy at the bottom tells the shopper to ask the clerk for sample. When she receives it, the customer views it on her lips in the large mirror in the display. Each lipstick fits into its individual slot at the sides. The shade of each is printed beneath each lipstick. Price is prominent on the rectangular patch that shows each shade in its actual color. The unit, designed to help retailers sell and promote these lipsticks, is part of a merchandising plan backed up by one of the largest advertising campaigns ever undertaken by the company.

CREDIT: Display, Bon Ton Press, New York.



GALLERY

Fake lighting with reflected foil through acetate

Bourjois's bid for mid-winter sales is this counter merchandiser for what the company calls its Evening in Paris "Celebration," offering attractive limited-time values of three different fragrance trios: colognes, perfumes and fragrance sticks, specially packaged for the promotion. Each trio is made up of Evening in Paris in the regular \$1 size, combined with two new fragrances, Montmartre and Folies Bergere, available either as perfumes, colognes or fragrance sticks. The Celebration trios, a regular \$2.25 value selling for \$1.25 each, are packaged in individual die-cut cartons.

Back piece of the display carrying the words, "Evening in Paris Celebration," is equipped with a frosted acetate window arranged in juxtaposition to a projection of aluminum foil that reflects overhead store lights as though the display itself were electrically lighted.

CREDITS: Back piece, Newark Paper Box Co., Newark, N. J. Box, Paul T. Freund Corp., New York. Trio cartons, Lord Baltimore Press, Baltimore, Md.



Tagged as a gift

Red-ribboned corrugated container for kitchen ware does a year-round, self-selling job for Lincoln Metal Products



"GIFT TAG," to be filled in by giver, gives final fillip to design of this well-printed, white-linenfinish corrugated container, typical of Beautyware line. It seems to have appeal even for nongift buyers. Complete copy and illustration on side panels make the products self selling.



HANDLED WITH GLOVES during the packaging operation, the chrome-finished products are so well protected that retail dealers have no hesitancy about selling them in sealed packages.

The idea that year-round gift appeal can be incorporated in a package is now widely accepted, but most companies who adopt this strategy tend to hedge their bets—to adopt a design that doesn't come right out and say "gift," yet could easily be visioned in that role.

In the new packaging for its Beautyware line of kitchen metal specialties, the Lincoln Metal Products Corp., Brooklyn, hasn't hedged. Its colorfully printed, linen-finish corrugated cartons are aimed squarely at the gift buyer. It didn't cost a cent more to design them that way and Lincoln figures it won't stop the consumer who is buying the item for her own use—may even increase the appeal for her.

The Beautyware line includes such items as bread boxes, canisters, disposal units with deodorizers and waste baskets. For the shopper who might not think of such utilitarian items as gifts, the suggestion is forcefully presented by printing, on the white linenweave surface of the corrugated, a handsome red "ribbon" crossed on the front surface under a big bow and with a built-in "to" and "from" gift tag. Another panel carries a well-detailed illustration of the product packaged within.

Irving Kates, Lincoln's president, comments that the spark for the gift idea was provided by the customers themselves. When the peak periods for selling the products as gifts were the months of May, June and December, there appeared to be little justification for a year-round special carton. The change came when the company observed an upturn in day-to-day gift sales—a highly desirable trend which the organization is naturally eager to push further.

Another sales advantage, due to the complete sales story that the package tells, is that customers are helping themselves without bothering to hunt out a sales clerk. A delight to the stores is that they need not take time to wrap the sometimes bulky products with the usual gift packaging frills.

Pre-packaging—that's the way this company thinks of it—means that the customer is buying "blind" and it puts a responsibility on the company to deliver the uninspected product in good condition. For this reason Lincoln has established rigid methods of packaging and inspection.

So delicately is the Beautyware line of metalware handled that workers and inspectors alike are required to wear gloves to protect product finishes. Also, as a further precautionary measure, Lincoln has been experimenting for some time with inner and outer wrappings. It was found, for example, that two different types of protective coverings were needed to prevent scuffing and water staining of the chrome ware.

Two widely used protective packaging materials were brought into the production line. Before the carton-loading stage, the tops and sides of bread boxes, for example, are covered with masking tape. The front of the bread box—a hinged cover which doubles as a slicing board—is wrapped in a type of tissue with a waxed kraft backing. Each canister in a set of four, each wastebasket and each disposal unit are wrapped in the same manner. The items are then carefully cradled in corrugated board and placed in the gift carton.

The assurance of quality and the gift appeal have apparently resulted in a welcome sales tonic.

CREDITS: Corrugated cartons, Grand-City Container Corp., 2001 Tonnelle Ave., North Bergen, N. J. "Mar-Not" masking tape, Minnesota Mining & Mfg. Co., 900 Fauquier Ave., St. Paul 5, Minn. Tissue and waxed kraft backing, Kimberly-Clark Corp., Neenah, Wis., and Royce Paper Co., 606 Bergen St., Brooklyn.

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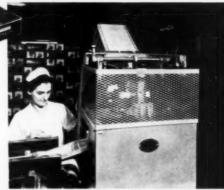


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Meat-packaging criteria

A review of recent developments in methods and materials, with new comparative test data. By John M. Ramsbottom*

For the past few years self-service merchandising of meats has been the motivating force in the development of better packages for meats, both from the standpoint of improved package appearance and greater product protection. The package becomes the salesman in self-service merchandising, thus every effort must be made to make the package as attractive and convenient as is practical. Likewise, if repeat sales are to be expected not only must the product be of good quality, but the package must have functional characteristics which will protect the meat against shrinkage, discoloration and changes in aroma and flavor until it is used.

This paper is primarily concerned with current trends in packaging meats and a discussion of the protective characteristics of different packaging materials, exclusive of glass and metal containers. The package requirements of fresh meats, poultry, frozen meats and cured meats are different and will be discussed individually.

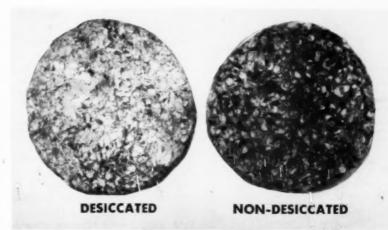
Fresh meats

The selection of packaging materials for fresh meats is based in part upon a functional requirement of the packaging material that must permit the free passage of air to the cut surface of the meat. The oxygen of the air reacts with the myoglobin of the fresh meat to produce oxymyoglobin which has a bright red color. This is the color which must be developed and maintained for best display of the meat. The amount of oxymyoglobin in the meat determines the color, which ranges from a bright cherry red for beef to a delicate pink for yeal or pork.

If a packaging material is used which materially restricts the passage of oxygen, the cut surface of the fresh meat will darken within an hour because of a change of oxymyoglobin in the superficial tissues to purple-colored myoglobin. Upon extended storage this pigment oxidizes to an undesirable brown-colored metmyoglobin.

Proper fresh-meat packaging materials, which include fresh-meat cellophane and fresh-meat Pliofilm, allow transmission of sufficient oxygen to maintain the desired color. Special fresh-meat wrapping papers and special types of paperboard are recommended for separating slices or cuts of meat and for packaging where transparency of the packaging material is not a merchandising requirement. These air-permeable films and papers also restrict the loss of moisture from fresh meats and restrict the development of dark color associated with drying of the meat surfaces.

Packaging materials for bone-in fresh meats must be very resistant to puncture and tear because the sharp



1. EFFECT of freezer desiccation on the appearance of sliced hamburger.

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2. EFFECT of bridging and frosting on the appearance of packaged frozen poultry: (1) modified saran vacuumized package showing the film in complete contact with the poultry and (2) cellophane package showing bridging of the film, also frosting on under side of the film where it does not come in contact with the poultry.

edges of cut bones contribute to package breakage.

The characteristic stretchability of Pliofilm is helpful in obtaining a compact package which is resistant to tear and breakage. However, there is need for shrinkability in films for fresh meats to assure a package which is free of voids between the film and the meat.

Poultry

Large volumes of chickens and ducks are prepared by processors and bulk shipped in ice to dealers who in turn package the poultry and merchandise it in the unfrozen state.

Packaging materials used extensively in the final package include semimoisture proof and moisture proof cellophane, Pliofilm, polyethylene and modified saran.

Poultry, both whole and cut in sections, is often placed in paper-board or molded-pulp trays and over-wrapped with transparent film. While the present films are fairly satisfactory, increased permeability to air is desirable. Poultry will retain its fresh aroma and keeping quality longer in a package which allows considerable air transmission while at the same time restricting loss of moisture from the package. There is also need for im-

provement in the wet strength of trays, particularly in the case of molded-pulp trays.

Frozen meats

Most consumer-sized frozen meats and frozen poultry are merchandised in one of the following packages: (1) printed waxed-paperboard cartons with or without inner liners, (2) plain waxed-paperboard cartons with or without inner liners, the cartons being overwrapped with a printed paper, film or foil, and (3) printed wraps of film, paper, foil, as well as laminates thereof.

There is considerable difference of opinion as to the need for transparency or windows in frozen-meat packages. The current trend seems to be away from transparent packages and toward opaque packages. Once a frozen-meat product has an established market, the need for a transparent package to display the product is often overbalanced by the economy and protection from light provided by an opaque package.

Moistureproof cellophane, waxed paper and aluminum foil-paper laminates are extensively used as inner liners and overwraps for paperboard packages of frozen meats and poultry. An experiment was made to determine their effect on the freezing and thawing rate of ground beef. Packages weighing 12 oz. each were frozen at minus 10 deg. F. and thawed at 80 deg. F. The temperature changes were obtained by the use of thermo-electric couples located in the center of the package which was $2\frac{1}{2}$ in. in depth and $3\frac{1}{2}$ in. in diameter.

The data are summarized in Table I and show that there are only small differences in the freezing rate and thawing rate of the meat, indicating that waxed paper, moistureproof cellophane and aluminum foil-paper laminate have a similar effect on temperature changes when they are used as inner liners and overwraps for paperboard cartons.

Low water-vapor transmission is a primary requirement of packaging materials for frozen meats. Recommended packaging materials have a WVT rate of 1 gm. or less per 100 sq. in. per 24 hrs. under standard TAPPI conditions of 73 deg. F. and 50% relative humidity.

If the packaging material is essenti-

TABLE I—THE EFFECT OF PAPER-BOARD CARTON INNER WRAPS AND OVERWRAPS ON THE TIME RE-QUIRED TO FREEZE AND THAW MEATS

	Freezing time 35 to 0°F.	
Carton & inner wrap		
Waxed paper (30# sulfite sheet waxed to 44# with poly- ethylene and mi- crocrystalline waxes)		5.1 hrs.
Cellophane (300 moistureproof)	8.7 hrs.	5.4 hrs.
Aluminum foil lam- inate (0.00035 in. aluminum foil laminated to 22# sulfite paper)		5.5 hrs.
Carton & overwrap Waxed paper (30 # sulfite sheet waxed to 44 # with poly- ethylene and mi- crocrystalline waxes)		5.1 hrs.
Cellophane (300 moistureproof	10.2 hrs.	5.3 hrs.
Aluminum foil lam- inate (0.00035 in. aluminum foil laminated to 22# sulfite paper)	i	4.9 hrs.

ally moisture proof and in contact with the surface of the meat, dehydration of the superficial tissues, commonly referred to as "freezer burn," is prevented. The adverse effect of dehydration on the appearance of the meat is illustrated in Fig. 1.

In addition, shrinkage may become an economic factor if the desiccation is extensive. The desiccated hamburger in Fig. 1 was not protected with moistureproof packaging materials during the course of one year's storage at 0 deg. F. and after storage weighed 11.5 gms. per cu. in., whereas the frozen, bright-red-colored hamburger in Fig. 1 weighed 17.2 gms. per cu. in.

Voids between the frozen meat and packaging material should be kept at a minimum; otherwise dehydration and frosting occur at these locations. The frost often forms on the under side of the packaging material. If the packaging material is transparent, product visibility is impaired. This is illustrated in Fig 2.

An important limiting factor in the storage life of frozen meats is the stability of the fat. Frozen meats may be essentially free of oxidative rancidity after storage periods up to one year if stored at subzero temperatures and if tightly packaged in oxygen-impermeable materials. Such a package will be most effective in preventing rancidity of the fat if the air has been removed from the package and it has been hermetically sealed. A modification of this procedure is used in packaging poultry. The poultry is vacuum packaged in oxygen-resistant, modified-saran film and then frozen. There is need, however, for improvement in the resistance of this film to breakage at low temperatures. If red meats are vacuum packaged before they are frozen, they must be at least partly frozen within a very few minutes after vacuum packaging, otherwise they will change in color from bright red to shades of purple and brown.

Packaging materials used for frozen meats include moistureproof cellophane, Pliofilm, polyethylene, saran, aluminum foil, waxed and plastic-coated papers, plastic-coated films and foils, laminates of the above materials and waxed-paperboard cartons. While these materials are fairly satisfactory for frozen meats and frozen poultry, the ideal packaging material from the standpoint of protection has still to be developed. Briefly, it should be

TABLE II—EFFECT OF RESIDUAL OXYGEN IN VACUUM PACKAGES ON THE COLOR OF SLICED COOKED HAM

Package	Light	Color rating ²									
		Initial	1 day	2 days	3 days	4 days	8 days				
Semi-moistureproof cellophane	8 hrs. per day	9	5	4	3	3	2				
Semi-moistureproof cellophane	no light for 2 days, then 8 hrs. per day	9	-	9	5	3	3				
Semi-moistureproof cellophane	no light	9	9	9	9	9	7				
Saran (1.5 mils) 29" vacuum	8 hrs. per day	9	6	S	9	9	9				
Saran (1.5 mils) 29" vacuum	no light for 2 days, then 8 hrs. per day	9	-	9	8	9	9				
Saran (1.5 mils) 29" vacuum	no light	9	9	9	9	9	9				

^{1 &}quot;Soft white" fluorescent light, 40-ft. candles.
2 Based on 10 equals "perfection," 1 equals "extremely poor,"

moistureproof, oxygenproof, heat sealing, resistant to fracture, puncture and tear, flexible over a wide range of temperatures, resistant to aging, odorless and capable of being stretched and shrunk to insure tight packages.

Cured meats

In contrast to unfrozen fresh meats, cured meats retain their bright pink and red colors better in an oxygen-impermeable package than they do in an oxygen-permeable package. This difference in packaging requirements is in part brought about by differences in the chemical reactions of the meat pigments with oxygen as related to color:

Fresh meat:

 $\begin{array}{cccc} \text{Myoglobin} & + & 0 \\ \text{Fe} & + & + \\ \text{Purple} & & \text{Bright red} \end{array}$

Cured meat:

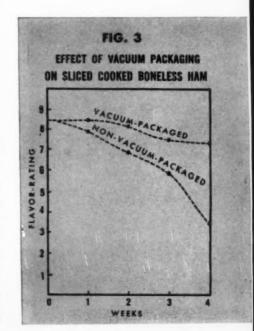
Nitric oxide myoglobin $+ 0_2 \Leftrightarrow$ Metmyoglobin Fe + + Fre + + + + + + + Gray or brown

The best display color of cured, smoked and table-ready meats is the bright pink or red color observed immediately after cutting. Unfortunately these bright, attractive colors change to shades of gray and brown when the meats are packaged in oxygen-permeable transparent film and exposed to display-case and store lighting. These color changes are the result of oxidation of the pink-colored nitric oxide myoglobin and nitric oxide myoglobin and nitric oxide myogen to metmyoglobin and other oxidized pigments. The reaction proceeds slowly in the absence of light

and quickly in bright light, the light acting as a catalyst.

The effect of light on the color of packaged sliced cooked ham is shown in Table II. Ham packaged in semi-moistureproof cellophane faded when exposed to light immediately after packaging or when exposed to light two days after packaging. Ham, vacuum packaged in saran, showed temporary discoloration when exposed immediately after packaging and no discoloration when stored for two days before exposure to light.

The temporary discoloration of the vacuum-packaged ham is caused by



residual oxygen which is not removed from the package at the time of vacuum packaging. Since the package is sealed, no additional oxygen can get into the package. The pigment oxidation reaction plus the normal "biological oxygen demand" of the ham consume the initially entrapped oxygen, eventually producing anaerobic conditions. Through continued effect of normal biological oxygen demand, the pigment is reduced and combines with the curing agents to form the initial pigment, thereby restoring the original normal color of the ham.

By storing the vacuum-packaged ham for two days before exposing it to light, anaerobic conditions were established; consequently, the ham retained its bright color.

Vacuum packaging in oxygen-impermeable materials not only eliminates light discoloration of meats, but also is effective in preventing the development of oxidative rancidity, inasmuch as oxygen is necessary for the development of oxidative rancidity in meat fats and most of the oxygen is removed in vacuum packaging.

The flavor of vacuum-packaged ham and non-vacuum-packaged ham has been compared. One-half-pound packages of sliced cooked ham were stored in a shipping container at 38 deg. F. Each week for four weeks

triplicate samples were removed and scored for flavor according to a rating system wherein 1 was extremely poor and 10 was excellent. The data are summarized in Fig. 3 and show that the vacuum-packaged ham retained its flavor better than ham packaged in a non-vacuumized transparent film.

While this discussion on cured-meat products has centered on vacuum packaging, it should be clearly understood that the advantages of vacuum packaging may also be attained by so-called "gas packaging," wherein the package is first vacuumized, then nitrogen, carbon dioxide or other gas is released into the package until a pressure of one atmosphere or less is reached; then the package is sealed.

Oxygen-impermeable packaging materials, including saran and laminates of cellophane, Pliofilm, polyethylene and aluminum foil, are being used in increasing volume for the vacuum packaging of cured, smoked and table-ready meats.

Packaging materials used commercially for cured, smoked and tableready meats cover a wide range in water-vapor permeability. Their selection depends upon the kind of meat and trade requirements. The trend is toward packaging materials that are more nearly moistureproof in order to minimize shrinkage and discoloration. Special papers with built-in water-vapor control—also semi-moistureproof and moistureproof transparent films—are generally used for packaging cured, smoked and tableready meats.

Packaging materials used for cured, smoked and table-ready meats must be greaseproof. If fat soaks through a package it is objectionable from the standpoint of both handling and appearance. Equally important, if fat is dispersed in a packaging material, it oxidizes rapidly and the rancid odor which develops is soon imparted to the contents of the package. Antioxidant treatment of packaging materials has been found to be effective in delaying the onset of rancidity.

Packaging materials which are satisfactory in greaseproofness include cellophane, Pliofilm, saran and special greaseproof papers.

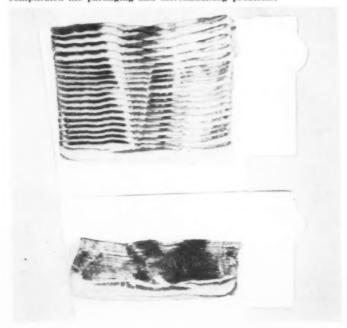
It is an axiom in protective packaging of meats that best keeping quality is obtained when the exposed cut surface is kept at a minimum. Nevertheless, because of consumer preference, bacon and certain other cured and table-ready meats are merchandised in shingle-type packages. By so doing, the surface area of the bacon exposed to air and package is increased 130% over an equal weight of product exposed in a stacked package. Likewise the amount of packaging material required to wrap the product is increased 100% (Fig. 4).

Obviously, an opportunity exists for the development of new nonshingle-type packages which have the consumer acceptability of the shingletype packages.

Casings made of regenerated cellulose and plastic materials such as Pliofilm, Visten and saran are extensively used in the meat industry. Not only do they serve as molds and containers during the processing of some cured meats and sausage, but in many instances the casings also serve as consumer packages.

Regenerated-cellulose casings have an advantage over plastic films by being fairly permeable to smoke, which permits smoking of the product in the casing. They also promote the development of desirable product appearance and color. However, they are very permeable to moisture and if they are subsequently used as packages the product will shrink and darken in color if not overwrapped (This article continued on page 187)

4. EXPOSED AREA contrasted as between the shingled (top) and stacked sliced bacon. Consumer preference for the shingled style has complicated the packaging and merchandising problems.



Polyethylene for citrus

Film as a package depends on quality of fruit, rapid movement and ventilation. By HOWARD W. HRUSCHKA* and J. KAUFMAN†

 ${f F}^{
m resh}$ citrus fruit has been retailed in consumer units for over 15 vears, using mesh bags for oranges and grapefruit, and travs overwrapped with plastic films for lemons and limes. Winston, et al. (3)1 described the handling and shipping of Florida grapefruit and oranges packed in 8and 10-lb. mesh bags. They stated that over 40 million 8-lb. mesh bags of oranges and grapefruit were shipped in the 1947-48 season. Since then the shipping of citrus fruit in consumer units has increased considerably. Winston and his co-workers noted the rough handling in loading, during transit and after arrival at market and the resultant injury to the fruit. They also pointed out the needs for a master container to protect the fruit from crushing, for low transit and holding temperatures to retard decay and for packaging of only good-quality fruit to avoid loss in repacking.

Hruschka and Kaufman (1) showed that a variety of films can be used successfully in packaging lemons and that low temperature and moisture-proof films prolong their shelf life. Rygg (2), in holding tests comparing various film bags with mesh bags for California oranges, found that the best results were obtained with perforated films. He reported the tendency of decaying fruit in the film bags to affect the flavor of the sound oranges in the

The polyethylene bag, which is less expensive than the mesh bag now in use, has recently been advocated for use in marketing fruit in a master container (see Fig. 1). Packagers and film manufacturers felt that the saving in bag price together with the reduction in crushing, flattening and other



1. MASTER CONTAINER used experimentally with pre-packaged oranges. Each of the containers holds eight 5-lb. polyethylene bags of oranges. The container needs further development for more adequate cooling.

damage (see Fig. 2) would more than pay for the master container and thus they could get the fruit to market with less waste and with little or no increase in cost. They were also interested in learning whether the polyethylene film could successfully be used to overwrap trays.

The tests here reported were initiated to compare mesh bags with perforated and non-perforated polyethylene bags as containers for Florida oranges and grapefruit and to compare unwrapped and polyethylene (perforated and non-perforated) overwrapped trays for lemons and limes. Particular attention was given to differences in decay, weight loss, appearance, flavor of juice and shelf life.

Materials and methods

Standard 5-lb. consumer-sized polyethylene or cotton-mesh bags each packed with ten to fifteen 216-size Florida oranges or with five 54- to 70size Florida grapefruit, and wrapped or unwrapped chipboard trays each packed with four California lemons or five Florida limes were used in conducting these tests. Half of the grapefruit were treated prior to shipment with Dowicide Ahexamine while the other half were not so treated. The 150-gauge polyethylene bags were either non-perforated and tightly sealed or each was perforated with eight ¼-in. holès. The overwrapped trays were wrapped with 150-gauge polyethylene film which was either non-perforated or perforated with two ¼-in. holes per package.

The packages of fruit were weighed and placed at 46 deg. F. and 80% relative humidity (high humidity), 70 deg. F. and 80% relative humidity (high humidity), and also at 70 deg. F. and 50% relative humidity (low humidity).

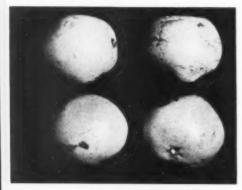
(Since the packages in some of the orange tests were not held at all these storage conditions, the data for oranges are tabulated in three groups as indicated in Table I.) The packages were removed for inspection after three and seven days. At each inspection all packages were reweighed and determinations were made of carbon-dioxide and oxygen contents of the package atmosphere

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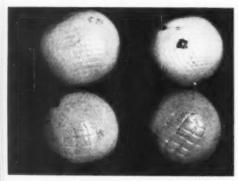
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2. INJURIES observed in Florida oranges shipped by rail to New York City in mesh bags unprotected by master container.

in the perforated and non-perforated polyethylene bags or overwrapped trays.

After each package was opened, observations were made on odor, firmness and freshness of the fruit and flavor of the juice. In addition, observations on yellowing were made on the limes. The inspection data are summarized in Tables I to IV. Several tests were made with each of the four citrus fruits tested. The values shown in the tables were obtained by computing percentages based on the

total number of fruit in each lot for each test and then averaging these test percentages.

Results

Oranges: The data covering the six orange tests are summarized in Table I.

Weight loss was greatest in fruit packed in mesh bags. It was much less in perforated-polyethylene bagged fruit and was least in fruit packed in non-perforated polyethylene bags. In general, weight loss was greatest in fruit held at 70 deg. F.-low humidity and least at 46 deg.-high humidity. Under the driest conditions the perforated-polyethylene bagged fruit lost only 1.3% during seven days' storage, while the fruit in mesh bags lost 10%. The comparable packages at 46 deg. lost 0.2 and 1.2%, respectively.

Fresh appearance and firmness were closely associated with prevention of weight loss. In general, softening of the fruit was detected after the loss in weight was about 3%. Slight wilting was evident after it was about 3 to 5%, Fruit held at 46 deg. F. remained firm and had good, fresh appearance for the full test period (seven days) and there was little difference between the fruit in the mesh and that in polyethylene bags. Fruit held at 70 deg.-high humidity remained firm and fresh for the full test period when packed in polyethylene bags. When it was packed in mesh bags, however, some softening and slight wilting were found at the seven-day withdrawal. Fruit held at 70 deg. F .low humidity generally remained firm or fairly firm throughout the test when packed in polyethylene bags, but some softening and slight wilting were noted even as early as three days in lots packed in mesh bags.

Carbon-dioxide content as high as 19.6% (with 4.5% oxygen) and oxygen content as low as 1% (with 14.2% carbon dioxide) were found in the atmosphere of the non-perforated polyethylene packages. In one test, off-odors and off-flavors were observed in fruit held at 70 deg. F. No change in package atmosphere was observed in the perforated packages. In tests not reported here, 5-lb. polyethylene bags perforated with only two holes developed 3.4% carbon dioxide and 17% oxygen within the package atmosphere. No off-flavors or off-odors were found in either the perforatedfilm packaged fruit or in the meshbagged fruit. In flavor tests, most observers rated the juice of oranges from perforated-polyethylene and mesh bags acceptable. More observers gave the acceptable rating to juice of oranges from mesh and perforated packages in which there was either no decay or only stem-end rot than to that of fruit in similar packages containing penicillium rot. Fewer observers gave the acceptable rating to the juice of oranges from non-perforated polyethylene packages than to the juice of oranges from perforated polyethylene or mesh bags, regardless of whether decay was present. It is therefore advisable to perforate polyethylene bags with the equivalent of at least eight %-in, holes to reduce the possibility of developing off-flavors.

Little decay was found in fruit held at 46 deg. F. regardless of container type, while at 70 deg. commercially important amounts were noted at three days and excessive amounts at seven days. Decay was higher in fruit in polyethylene bags than in fruit in mesh bags.

In tests not reported here little difference in keeping quality was found in fruit packed in polyethylene bags perforated with eight, 16 or 32 holes.

Grapefruit: The data for the two grapefruit tests are tabulated in Table II.

Weight loss was greatest in the mesh-bagged fruit held at 70 deg. F.-low humidity, the untreated and Dowicide A-hexamine treated lots losing 5.2% and 6.9%, respectively, in seven days. Weight losses of fruit in the film bags were much less. Lower weight losses were found at 46 deg. than at 70 deg.

Throughout the test the fruit remained fresh and firm in all lots except those in the mesh bags, which were wilted and soft after seven days at 70 deg. F.-low humidity.

Analysis of the enclosed atmospheres in non-perforated packages showed that the carbon-dioxide content ranged from 1.6 to 4% and the oxygen content ranged from 11.5 to 18.5%. No change in package atmosphere in perforated packages was found. No difference in taste of the fruit in packages of the three types was observed.

Since only small numbers of fruit were involved in these tests, no definite statements can be made concerning the effects of type of package on decay. Practically no decay was found at 46 deg. F., but a moderate amount developed at 70 deg.

TABLE I—WEIGHT LOSS AND DECAY IN FLORIDA ORANGES PACKAGED IN PERFORATED AND NON-PERFORATED POLYETHYLENE BAGS AND MESH BAGS, HELD AT 46 DEG. F. AND HIGH HUMIDITY OR 70 DEG. AND HIGH OR LOW HUMIDITY FOR THREE AND SEVEN DAYS

	Weight loss at:							Decay at:						
Group! and bag tupe	46°-i humi 3 days	idity	70°-	high	hun	-low ridity 7 days	hum	high aidity 7 days	70°- hum	high idity 7 days		-low ridity 7 day		
Group I:	,	-												
Non-perforated polyethylene	0	0.1%			0.1%	0.3%	0	0			3.0%	13.7%		
Perforated polyethylene	0.2%	0.2%			0.6%	1.5%	0	0			5.2%	8.1%		
Mesh	0.7%	1.29			2.6%	6.0%	0	1.8%			2.2%	5.2%		
Group II:														
Non-perforated polyethylene		0.2%	0.1%	0.2%			0	0	0	15.6%				
Perforated polyethylene		0.5%	0.1%	0.4%			0	0	2.2%	24.4%				
Mesh		2.3%	1.8%	3.3%			0	0	2.2%	11.1%				
Group III:														
Non-perforated polyethylene	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%	0.3%	0.2%	0.7%	0	0.8%	4.2%	33,5%	13.3%	48.4%		
Perforated polyethylene	0.1%	0.2%	0.4%	0.8%	0.5%	1.3%	0	0	8.4%	37.5%	6.7%	30.0%		
Mesh	0.8%	1.2%	1.8%	3.2%	4.0%	10.0%	0	3.3%	5.0%	20.8%	8.4%	23.3%		

¹ Group I summarizes three tests with fruit held at 46 deg. F. and 80% relative humidity and 70 deg. and 50% relative humidity. Each value is based on fruit in seven replicate packages. Group II summarizes one test with fruit held at 46 deg. F. and 80% relative humidity and 70 deg. and 80% relative humidity. Each value is based on fruit in three replicate packages. Group III summarizes two tests with fruit held at 46 deg. F. and 80% relative humidity, 70 deg. and 80% relative humidity. Each value is based on fruit in seven replicate packages.

TABLE II—WEIGHT LOSS AND DECAY IN FLORIDA GRAPEFRUIT PACKAGED IN PERFORATED AND NON-PERFORATED POLYETHYLENE BAGS AND MESH BAGS, HELD AT 46 DEG. F. AND HIGH HUMIDITY OR 70 DEG. AND HIGH OR LOW HUMIDITY FOR THREE AND SEVEN DAYS

(Each value is based on fruit in five to seven replicate packages)

	46°-high humidity		70°-1	-Weight loss at:— 70°-high humidity		70°-low humidity		46°-high humidity		Decay at:— 70°-high humidity		70°-low humidity	
Treatment and bag type	3 days	7 days	3 days	7 days	3 days	7 days	3 day	s 7 days	3 days	7 days	3 days	7 days	
Non-treated													
Non-perforated polyethylene	()	()	0	0	0	0.2%	0	5.0%	10.0%	15.0%	10.0%	10 0%	
Perforated polyethylene	0.1%	0.1%	0.2%	0.3%	0	0.6%	0	0	0	2.5%	6.7%	10.0%	
Mesh	0.6%	2.0%	0,9%	2.2%	2.0%	5.2%	()	0	5.0%	5.0%	3.4%	6.7%	
Dowicide A-hexamine treated													
Non-perforated polyethylene	0	0	0	0.1%	0	0.4%	0	0	0	5.0%	0	13.49	
Perforated polyethylene	0	0.6%	0	0.2%	0.2%	0.5%	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Mesh	0.2%	1.8%	1.3%	2.8%	2.4%	6.9%	0	0	0	15.0%	0	3.4%	

Lemons: The data covering the six lemon tests are summarized in Table III.

Little weight loss was found in lemons overwrapped with polyethylene under any of the three storage conditions or in lemons in open trays held at 46 deg, F. All lots that showed little weight loss remained fresh in appearance. Slightly more weight loss was noted in naked lemons stored at 70 deg.-high humidity than in those stored at 46 deg.-high humidity. High weight loss together with less desirable appearance was noted in naked fruit stored at 70 deg.-low humidity.

The carbon dioxide of the package atmosphere ranged from 0 to 2% and the oxygen content from 17 to 20%.

No off-flavor or internal physiological breakdown was noted.

Only five lemons decayed during these tests and these were all at 70 deg. F.-high humidity. Four of the five decayed fruit were found in nonperforated packages and the other in a perforated-polyethylene overwrapped package.

Limes: The data covering the four lime tests are summarized in Table IV

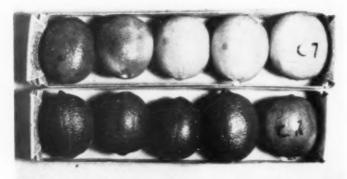
Less than 1% weight loss was found in the limes overwrapped with polyethylene. Weight loss was slightly greater in the unwrapped than in overwrapped limes held at 46 deg. F. The difference was greater at 70 deghigh humidity and even greater at 70 deg.-low humidity.

All limes were fresh and firm at seven days except for the unwrapped fruit held at 70 deg. F.-low humidity, which was soft and slightly wilted.

The carbon-dioxide content of the package atmosphere ranged from 0 to 3.4% and the oxygen content from 10 to 20%. No off-flavors or internal physiological breakdown was noted.

No decay was found in limes held at 46 deg. F. during the test. A slight amount of decay was found in three days at 70 deg.-low humidity. At seven days commercially important amounts were found in both 70 deg. rooms with an average of 7.5% in the non-perforated lots, 5% in the perforated lots and 1.7% in the naked lots.

No yellowing was found at 46 deg. F. and none was found after three



3. YELLOWING OF LIMES in unwrapped packages held seven days at 70 deg. F. Upper package held in room containing decayed fruit from other tests; lower package held in room free of decaying fruit.

days at 70 deg. After seven days at 70 deg.-high humidity 5%, 13.4% and 14.2% yellowed limes, respectively, were found in the non-perforated, perforated and unwrapped packages, while 2.5%, 3.3% and 5%, respectively, were found at 70 deg.-low humidity.

The difference in yellowing in the two 70 deg. F. rooms may have been due to ethylene given off by decaying fruit from other tests in the 70 deg, and high-humidity room (see Fig. 3). That ethylene and possibly other degreening agents from outside the packages caused the yellowing is indicated by the fact that the non-perforated packages had the fewest vellowed limes, perforated packages had the next greater percentage and the unwrapped packages had the

most. The smaller amount of yellowing in the non-perforated packages, although due in part to protection from exposure to ethylene, may also have been due to the slowing down of physiological activity of the limes as a result of carbon-dioxide build-up and oxygen depletion in the package atmosphere.

Discussion

These tests re-affirm the well-known value of low temperature in prolonging the shelf life of various citrus fruits whether wrapped in film or held in open containers.

At 46 deg. F.-high humidity, decay was well controlled, green color in limes was maintained, weight loss even in unwrapped lots was reduced to a minimum and fresh appearance was maintained in all lots. Weight loss even at high temperature and low relative humidity was reduced by using either perforated or non-perforated polyethylene film. Reducing the weight loss with polyethylene also maintained the fresh turgid appearance and prevented shriveling and (This article continued on page 184)

TABLE III—WEIGHT LOSS AND DECAY IN CALIFORNIA LEMONS PACKAGED IN TRAYS, LEFT UNWRAPPED, OR OVERWRAPPED WITH PERFORATED OR NON-PERFORATED POLYETHYLENE FILM, HELD AT 46 DEG F. AND HIGH HUMIDITY OR 70 DEG. AND HIGH OR LOW HUMIDITY FOR THREE AND SEVEN DAYS

(Each value for Corona County is based on fruit in 11 to 19 replicate packages; each value for Ventura County is based on fruit in 17 to 21 replicate packages)

	-		-Weight	loss at:-			-		—Dec	ay at:		
Growing area	46°-1	100	70°-high		70°-low			°-high		-high	70°-low	
and	humi	a.F	hum	and the same of		ridity		midity		ridity	humi	
overwap type	3 days	7 days	3 days	7 days	3 days	7 days	3 day	s 7 days	3 days	7 days	3 days	7 days
Corona County												
Non-perforated polyethylene	()	0.1%	0.1%	0.2%	0.3%	0.8%	0	0	0	1.2%	0	0
Perforated polyethylene	0.1%	0.2%	0.4%	0.8%	0.6%	1.6%	0	()	0	1.0%	0	()
Unwrapped	0.6%	1.9%	2.1%	3.9%	5.1%	11.2%	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ventura County												
Non-perforated polyethylene	0.1%	0.2%	0.1%	0.4%	0.4%	0.8%	0	0	0	4.7%	0	0
Perforated polyehtylene	0.2%	0.2%	0.2%	0.6%	0.6%	1.4%	0	0	0	0	0	0
Unwrapped	0.4%	1.2%	0.7%	1.8%	4.27	7.3%	0	0	0	0	0	0

TABLE IV—WEIGHT LOSS AND DECAY IN FLORIDA LIMES PACKAGED IN TRAYS, LEFT UNWRAPPED OR OVER-WRAPPED WITH PERFORATED OR NON-PERFORATED POLYETHYLENE FILM, HELD AT 46 DEG. F. AND HIGH HUMIDITY OR 70 DEG. AND HIGH OR LOW HUMIDITY FOR THREE AND SEVEN DAYS

(Each value is based on fruit in 24 replicate packages)

	Weight loss at: 46*-high 70°-high humidity humidity					-low aidity	46°-high humidity		—Decay at:— 70°-high humidity		70°-low humidity	
Overwrap type	3 days	7 days	3 days	7 days	3 days	7 days	3 day	js 7 days	3 days	s 7 days	3 days	7 days
Non-perforated polyethylene	0	0	0.1%	0.3%	0.1%	0.4%	0	0	0	6.6%	0.8%	8.3%
Perforated polyethylene	0	0.1%	0.2%	0.5%	0.2%	0.7%	0	0	0	8.3%	0	1.6%
Unwrapped	0.6%	1.4%	1.1%	3.3%	3.1%	6.7%	0	0	0	2.5%	0.8%	0.8%



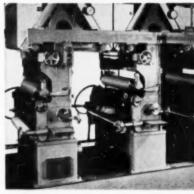
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WVT at minus 20 deg. F.

QUESTION: One of our products is held at minus 20 deg. F. for considerable periods of time. We would like to be sure that moisture loss is kept to a minimum and that there is no surface dehydration or freezer burn. We have never seen any published data on water-vapor transmissions at this temperature and would like to know if there is any means of making this test or any other way we could evaluate packaging materials for this particular storage condition.

ANSWER: Storage conditions of minus 20 deg. F. are lower than are encountered in commercial practice today. The amount of moisture loss at any temperature-whether normal room temperature, 0 deg. F. for frozen food or minus 20 deg. F.-will depend upon the water-vapor permeability of the package material, the package construction and the humidity of the storage atmosphere. If a means could be devised of maintaining the atmosphere surrounding the package at 100% relative humidity, then there would be no moisture loss from the unwrapped product. However, in most refrigerated storage the freezer coils operate so as to dehydrate the atmosphere to a degree, depending upon their surface temperature in relation to the temperature of the atmosphere.

There is considerable published data on the water-vapor permeability of materials at frozen-food conditions of 0 deg. F. and it is suggested that you use this data to compare this function of your materials at minus 20 deg. F., because such an estimation should not introduce any serious errors. If your laboratory wishes to make these tests themselves, the Technical Assn. of the Pulp & Paper Industry has issued a tentative standard test method for "Water Vapor Permeability of Sheet Materials at 0 deg. F.—T482m-52." This method has been

shown to give good results, but it will require special techniques and equipment to make such tests. These same techniques and apparatus could be used to make tests at minus 20 deg. F., but since the water-vapor pressure at this temperature is appreciably lower than at zero, the time of test would have to be greatly extended to get accurate results.

Label adhesion to foil wrap

QUESTION: We are using some special labels applied to a foil-overwrapped carton and have been having difficulty with some labels falling off on the store shelves and in shipping. The label is light-weight paper with a varnish coating and we are hand applying them with an emulsion-type adhesive.

What could we do in order to insure 100% adhesion of this type of label to a printed foil wrapper?

ANSWER: Apparently some of the labels are adherring satisfactorily. This would indicate that your resin-emulsion adhesive is capable of making a satisfactory bond between the paper and the foil. The variability of adhesion can be due to the fact that you are applying excess water between the metal surface and the varnish on the label. If your applicator applies an excessive amount of adhesive there is not sufficient absorbercy in the lightweight paper to take care of the extra water and the label would probably fall off in the packing case or in later handling.

The first step to take is to use one of the many small adhesive applicators and apply a minimum and uniform amount of adhesive. You should also consider using a heavier paper, which will help compensate for variations in the amount of adhesive applied. Another answer would be to use a label which is thermoplastic coated on the

back, since such a label can be quickly and firmly applied to foil by heat sealing and there is little danger of its coming off in later handling.

Pinholes in coated papers

QUESTION: We are using a resinculsion-coated paper as a liner for a product that has a high grease content. The liner is well folded and sealed, but sometimes there are small stains on the flat sides of the liner. We would like to improve our liner by defining, measuring and specifying the number of pinholes per square yard.

Can you suggest a suitable test method for detecting pinholes in a resin-coated paper?

ANSWER: The best method in general use is a tentative standard issued by The Technical Assn. of the Pulp & Paper Industry (TAPPI), entitled, "Pinholes in Glassine and Greaseproof Papers—T485M-53." The test was developed as a quick test for glassine-type papers, but it will work equally well for plastic-coated papers or for plastic films.

You must keep in mind that the test is only for pinholes which are defined as openings large enough to permit the reagent to pass through in 60 sec. or less. Do not use the test to measure greaseproofness or extend the time of contact to more than the 60-sec. limit. The easiest reagent to prepare and use is colored turpentine.

After you have tested a number of samples and correlated the pinhole count with your packaged-product tests, then you will be able to write a specification for an improved liner. However, do not expect to obtain pinhole-free coatings of emulsion-applied resins on a paper base unless you are prepared to pay for very heavy coating weights.

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APPLICATION OF TEAR TAPES TO LARGE PACKAGES

has been made possible by a new cross-tape unit developed by the Package Machinery Co., East Longmeadow P. O., Springfield, Mass., for its FA adjustable wrapping machines. The unit is said to locate cellophane tape accurately at the end of the



package or in any desired location in relation to its length. The tape, available in various colors, can be $\frac{36}{32}$ or $\frac{1}{3}$ in, wide and is applied to the roll-fed wrapper before it is cut off. The tape goes around the entire girth of the package and can be made to project any distance beyond the lap of the cellophane, making it easy to grasp hold

of, to tear off. Incorporation of the cross-tape unit in no way affects the wide range of sizes accommodated by the FA machine. The advantage claimed for placing the tape at the end of the package is that it cuts off the end of the wrap neatly, leaving the main portion of the wrapper intact. A tray or carton of biscuits, for example, can be slipped out of the wrap and reinserted after a quantity of its contents has been removed. When no carton is used, as for products like the paper napkins illustrated, the opened wrap serves as a handy container.

A NEW TABLET AND CAPSULE COUNTING MACHINE

announced by the J. R. Keeny Co., 125 Cambridge Dr., Louisville, Ky., is designed to provide the pharmaceutical industry with a simple, inexpensive unit for accurate counting of a wide range of pellets with little change-over. This semi-automatic



unit, known as the Salser Tablet and Capsule Counter, is reported to be extremely versatile, handling a variety of different-sized tablets (coated or uncoated) or capsules (gelatine, two-piece, round or oval), with change-over by a simple adjustment of two knobs. Varying count from one to 100 can be obtained. The product is untouched by the operator and the machine has full visual operation from hopper to container. Two models are

available. The Standard Model illustrated is for firms packaging only one size of tablet or capsule. The Combination Model handles a wide range of tablets and capsules, is equipped with adjustable stainless steel ribs and can be adjusted in a matter of seconds, according to the company. The supplier reports that on a single-pass count between 20 and 30 containers per minute can be filled, depending upon size of product and size and shape of container. Multiple counts are slightly below this figure. A third machine is being developed that will count and load a thousand-count bottle with one motion, but its use will be limited to smaller-sized tablets such as saccharine.

A NEW HEAT SEALER FOR PLASTICS

has been developed by Pack-Rite Machines, Division of Techtmann Industries, 407 E. Michigan St., Milwaukee 1, Wis., especially for sealing polyethylene, Pliofilm and other plastic bag materials at high speed for volume production. Film of 1½-mil thickness is reported to be sealed at speeds up to 600 in. per minute, 2-mil thickness between 400 and 500 in. per minute and 3- to 4-mil thickness between 200 and 300 in. per minute. Bags inserted in the feed wing of the machine, called the Model 4

Plasti-Sealer, are gripped at the tops between two endless fabric rubber belts and conveyed through rolls where the seal is made. The plastic film is melted at point of roll contact, resulting in a welded seal about \(\frac{1}{2} \)-in. wide. Double sealing rolls for making two seals about \(\frac{1}{2} \)-in. apart can be furnished at a slight additional cost. Temperature of sealing roll is automatically controlled by a bulb-type thermostat, with dial for setting located on front of the machine. The unit is available for bench or table mounting or on an adjustable-height floor base.

A NEW 15-VALVE FILLING MACHINE

introduced by the Canning Machinery Div. of Food Machinery & Chemical Corp., P. O. Box 760, San Jose 6, Calif., is reported to offer extreme accuracy, uniform fill and high operating speeds in filling a wide range of liquids such as brines, syrups, juices, anti-freeze and light oils. This new FMC 15 Valve Fil-

Mor Filler operates at speeds ranging from 125 to 150 CPM with #404 x 700 cans to 300-325 CPM with #202 x 314 cans. The machine operates on a new "Fil-Mor principle" which employs an inner tank within the standard filling bowl. The space created between the walls of



the inner tank and the standard bowl provides the measuring-tube filling section of the filler. The inner tank serves as the supply receptacle for receiving fresh liquid and also functions as a dam for the overflow of liquid from the filler bowl. The valves are located beneath the measuring tubes in the filling section. The valve is made up of only three components: a movable piston, a stationary valve body and a measuring tube, and can easily be dismantled for cleaning, the company reports. Other features of the filler include a bankable can track to prevent spilling of the liquid by centrifugal force at high speed and a "no can-no fill" device as standard equipment. All contact parts are of stainless steel and copper-free nickel alloys. The compact unit measures 43 in, long, 85 in, wide and 57 in, high to can chute and 50 in, maximum bowl height.

A NEW PRESSURE-SENSITIVE TAPE DISPENSER

that is fully automatic and electrically operated has been announced by Penn Tape Savers, Luzerne at D St., Philadelphia 24, Pa. The new machine automatically feeds, cuts and dispenses pre-determined lengths of any type of pressure-sensitive tape. Speed can be as high as 3 in. of tape per second, or almost any intermediate speed chosen. To use, the machine is



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A NEW FILM-BAG CLOSURE

designed to speed up pre-packaging operations in the food field and other industries has been developed by Paxton Machines, Inc., Riverdale, Calif. Called "Kwik Loks," the closure is a durable plastic tab which can be quickly snapped on by hand

or by use of the "Paxeo" Bag Closer. The bag closer holds a full magazine of Kwik Loks and feeds them out as fast as required by the operator. The manufacturer reports that the new closures can be affixed at the rate of 1,800 to 2,000 per hour. The operator merely twists the top of the bag as usual, then snaps it into the Kwik Loks tag. Efficiency of the Paxco bag-closing machine is said



to save as much as \$1 per thousand bags. Feature of the new closure is that it can be readily unsnapped, in case a damaged item needs to be replaced in the bag, and then snapped back on just as quickly. The closures are made in several sizes. One is a small plain tag for pricing. Larger ones are imprinted with trade name and other information, and can be used as the package label for unprinted film bags.

A NEW STIFFNESS TESTER

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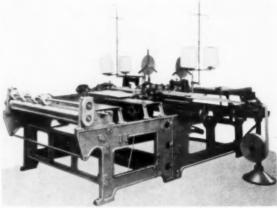
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mechanism of the unit is sealed against foreign particles and is reported to be unusually rugged. All exposed parts are aluminum and stainless steel.

A NEW MULTIWALL-BAG SEWING MACHINE

that sews one or both ends of a multiwall bag and produces a siftproof seal by applying selvage tape over the sewing has been announced by the Potdevin Machine Co., 285 North St., Teterboro, N. J. This single or double-end tape-over sewing machine



first sews the ends of the tube, then the selvage is glued and applied over the stitches. The resulting siftproof seal is reported by the manufacturer to be ideal for multiwall bags used for packaging sugar, flour, cement, fertilizer, feed, insecticides and other fine materials. This new Model S-3 machine sews multiwall bags ranging in size from 10 by 20 in. to 26 by 54 in. at a rate of 30 to 40 bags per minute and is designed for use with the Potdevin Multi-Wall Tuber. The unit occupies a floor space of 4 by 9 ft. and is 36 in. high.

A NEW OPENING AND CLOSING TOOL

is being offered by the Continental Can Co., Inc., 100 E. 42 St., New York 17, to its customers using Leverpak fibre drums for shipment and storage of dry bulk products. Designed to make

opening and closing of the Leverpak drum quick and easy, the tool is supplied by the can company in quantity without charge to buyers and users of Leverpaks. The tool, illustrated



herewith, is also shown disengaging the lock and lifting the metal lid from a container after the lever-lock has been disengaged by use of the tool. The tool can be used on any Leverpak, the company reports, from the 12-gal. to the 75-gal. sizes.

AN AUTOMATIC INDEXER

that is reported to provide speedier electronic heat sealing of plastics has been developed by the Thermatron Div., Radio Receptor Co., Inc., 251 W. 19 St., New York 11. This is an auxiliary machine which can be combined with any Thermatron press and generator to make a complete unit for automatically feeding, sealing, indexing and winding up or discharging full



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AN AUTOMATIC NITROGEN-DEPOSITING MACHINE

that enables complete displacement of trapped air in filled containers to eliminate a contamination problem has been announced by the MRM Co., Inc., 191 Berry St., Brooklyn 11. The

need for such a machine, according to the manufacturer, is particularly great for firms filling food or drug products that are subject to contamination created by the air trapped in air pockets; limited shelf life often caused losses due to product spoilage. With this new nitrogen-depositing machine, a stainless steel nozzle fits over the mouth of the container and emits a stream of nitrogen gas downward, forcing out trapped container air through a separate opening. The machine is designed to keep loss of nitrogen gas to an absolute minimum, the maker states. Nitrogen pressure is



controllable and shuts off automatically when the machine is stopped. The unit is said to fit into any production line, can be quickly changed over for container size and handles sizes from a fraction of an ounce to gallons.

A NEW SARDINE CAN

reported to be an improvement over the Norwegian-developed container of similar type has been announced by the American

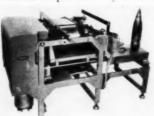


Can Co., 10 E. 40 St., New York 16. The new easy-opening container is a No. 4 oblong, sanitary-style sardine can featuring a slotted key that fits into a lip on the can top. The can has a drawn body with a double-seamed top. It replaces the former punch-and-roll opening can and supplements the can company's standard sar-

dine container. The new can, being produced at Canco's Lubec and Portland, Me., factories, is said to be the first of the sanitary-type sardine cans manufactured in the U. S.

A NEW AUTOMATIC MARKING MACHINE

for imprinting of cans, containers and similar objects of cylindrical nature, particularly where weight is a problem, is scheduled for production by the Markem Machine Co., Keene



40, N. H., following satisfactory performance in the field, according to the company. The machine can become a part of the production line and automatically receive, print and eject the objects being marked, or it can be manually fed.

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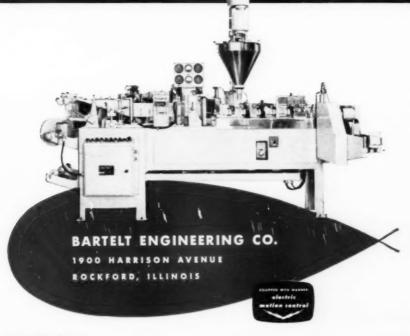
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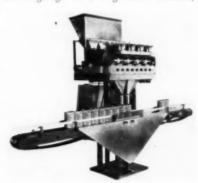
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in. in diameter, 5 to 100 lbs. in weight. Imprint can be up to 9 by 9 in. on the standard unit, although larger areas are available where required. Printing legend is easily changed, including variables. The reservoir inking mechanism is quickly cleaned, adjusted or colors changed, the manufacturer reports. Inks in colors and for a variety of finishes or materials are available.

A NEW VIBRATORY FEEDER

developed by the Weigh Right Automatic Scale Co., Joliet, Ill., combines a narrow dribble deck with a wide bulk deck on a single base, providing what is reported to be a new concept of bulk and dribble net weighing. On a single-base vibration,

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weight pick-up;
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row vibrator deck section. Normally, narrowing a dribble deck vibrator causes bridging from the hopper, but with this new "Twinflo" machine a full-width hopper source minimizes such bridging and single-file dribble feed is possible right alongside the bulk flow. The weigher will not discharge until up to weight. The new feeder is illustrated here in use at Judson Dunaway Corp. for filling paradichlorobenzene tablets and crystals.

PRICE REDUCTIONS FOR PHENOLIC MATERIALS

have been announced by Bakelite Co., a Division of Union Carbide & Carbon Corp. Most standard phenolic molding materials are reduced 1 cent per pound; most unmodified phenolic resins are reduced 2 cents per pound; resin solutions are reduced according to the varying solids content. For example, a 50% solids-content solution is reduced ½ cent a pound, while a 75% solids solution is lowered 1½ cents.

A NEW HAND DISPENSER

designed for use with "Scotch" brand tear-resistant filament tape and other hard-to-cut pressure-sensitive tapes has been announced by the Minnesota Mining & Mfg. Co., 900 Fauquier St., St. Paul 6, Minn. This new Model H-120 dispenser, an all-



metal unit, has a fixed saw-tooth cutting edge that permits the tape to be cut with a simple twist. The new cutting edge is said to last three times longer than the trigger-operated razor used on earlier dispensers. Smaller, stronger and more

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Herman R. Thies has been promoted to the newly created position of general manager of all chemical products for the Goodyear Tire & Rubber Co., Akron, Ohio. With Goodyear since 1930, Mr. Thies is the author of numerous technical articles and has been as-

signed a number of patents. He is known for his development of Pliolite "NR," used in the paint, printing ink, paper coating and allied industries.

Frank Biederman has retired as sales manager of Kimberly-Clark Corp., Neenah, Wis., after 28 years of service with the company. Starting in 1925 with the assignment of advertising, selling and

promoting the Kimberly-Clark product known then as Cellupacking, Mr. Biederman became manager of Cellupacking sales, advertising and promotion. Concurrently, Mr. Biederman promoted cellulose neckstrips. These products are known today as Kimpak



and Sanek. He conducted Biederman many investigations on new uses for cellulose-wadding products and many product ideas were originated or affected by his influence.

The Harmon Co. of New York, manufacturer of plastic molding and stock plastic boxes, has moved its executive offices to 331 Madison Ave., New York 17.

N. H. Collisson and M. F. Meissner have been appointed vice presidents for operations of Olin Industries, Inc., East Alton, Ill., to assist F. S. Elfred, executive vice president, in the administration of the company's various divisions. Mr. Collisson will administer the Film, Paper, Forest Products and Electrical Divisions. Mr. Meissner will administer the Arms & Ammunition, Explosives, Ramset and Metals Divisions, and serve as general manager of the Metals Div.

Milton L. Herzog has been made general manager of Olin's Film Div. and C. E. Silk has been named general manager of the company's new International Div., which has absorbed the responsibilities of the former export division.

O. E. Nelson continues in charge of the division's export sales.

Owens-Illinois Glass Co., Toledo, Ohio, plans to construct a new glass-melting furnace, a new warehouse and other additions at its Bridgeton, N. J., glass-container plant. The new furnace, bringing Bridgeton's total to eight, is expected to be completed late this year. The new warehouse will accommodate about 30,-000,000 glass containers.

Hinde & Dauch Paper Co., Sandusky, Ohio, has acquired a 17-acre site at Kansas City for the construction of a new factory to manufacture corrugated and solid fibre shipping boxes.

Hinde & Dauch Paper Co. of Canada, Ltd., has purchased all outstanding stock of Martin-Hewitt Containers, Ltd., Peterborough, Ont. The Martin-Hewitt factory will be operated as a wholly owned subsidiary of Hinde & Dauch, with no expected change in management or personnel. Herbert Martin will continue as president of Martin-Hewitt. Hinde & Dauch of Canada has started construction near Toronto of a modern corrugated paper shipping box factory, scheduled to be in operation by the end of the year.

Visking Corp., Chicago, has named Gustav Freund, II, vice president and treasurer of the company, replacing Howard Medici, who has been made executive vice president. Alfred G. Hewitt has been appointed vice president and general







Mr. Freund

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manager of the Clearing Div. Leslie E. Houck has been made general manager of Visking, Ltd., in Lindsay, Ontario. Roland G. Maus has been promoted to general manager of the Little Rock Div.

Standard-Knapp, Div. Emhart Mfg. Co., Portland, Conn., has promoted Leonard D. Kniffin, Jr., to assistant general sales manager, with headquarters at Portland. A. L. Mix, formerly of the Cleveland office, will be transferred to a newly organized territory comprising Southeastern Michigan and Northwestern Ohio, with headquarters in Dearborn, Mich. S. W. Capper has been promoted to district manager for the Atlanta area and D. G. Kobick has been promoted to Cleveland district manager. D. S. MacCallum will head the Batavia, N. Y., office, replacing D. S. Shields who takes over the New York City district. Clay Willingham has joined Standard-Knapp's St. Louis office as sales engineer.

The Package Machinery Co., East Longmeadow, Mass., has appointed William B. Sanford, Inc., as sales agent for its Thrifty labeling machine, replacing the MRM Co. The Sanford firm will cover Metropolitan New York, Eastern Pennsylvania, New Jersey, Maryland, Delaware and the District of Columbia.

Arthur Holdsworth has joined the Providence, R. I., sales department of Stein, Hall & Co., Inc., New York, and will deal in the textile, adhesive and food fields.

The Sisalkraft Co., Chicago, has merged with its manufacturing division, The American Reenforced Paper Co. The organization will be renamed American Sisalkraft Corp.

Albert H. Merz, engraver and printer and president of the Inta-Roto Machine Co., Richmond, Va., has opened a new gravure engraving company, the Inta-Roto Engraving Corp. Mr. Merz will also serve as president of the new company which occupies a new building adjacent to Inta-Roto Machine Co. in Richmond. The new plant has facilities for a complete service in copper plating, engraving, chrome plating and proofing cylinders. Inta-Roto Machine has appointed Ed A. Coudriet as secretary and development engineer of the company.

The Jerome Gould Corp., export packer, has opened new offices and an enlarged small-parts packaging plant at 1562-1572 DeKalb Ave., Brooklyn.

New officers of the Federal Paper Board Co., Inc., Bogota, N.J., are: Robert A. Wallace and Frederick W. Hesser, vice presidents; Sven E. Soderbergh, treasurer; Ferdinand E. Endriss, comptroller. Mr. Wallace also continues as company secretary. Mr. Endriss will serve also as treasurer of the National Folding Box Co., a newly acquired Federal subsidiary.

Gen. Mark W. Clark, former U. S. and United Nations Supreme Commander in the Far East, has been elected a director of the Lassiter Corp., Charlotte, N. C. Gen. Clark will have a part in the administration of six Lassiter food and textile divisions.



E. I. du Pont de Nemours & Co., Inc., Wilmington, Del., will build a \$3,000,000 laboratory in Wilmington to expand the

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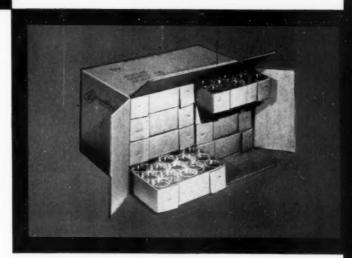
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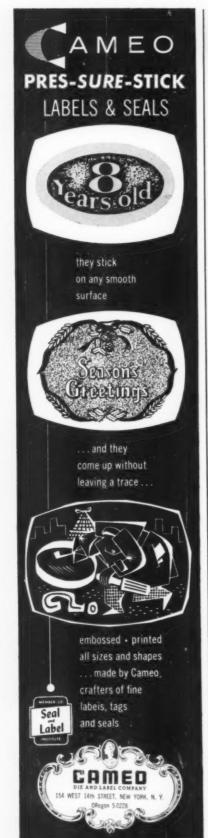




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capacity of its Polychemicals Dept. Its facilities will be several times the size of those at the Arlington, N. J., laboratory, which it will replace. Construction is expected to be completed early in 1955.

Douglas Peacher, Richard Snideman and Malcolm K. Whyte have been elected to the board of Container Laboratories. Inc., New York.

Harry H. Filler has been named national container products manager in charge of all container and bulk packaging products for Rheem Mfg. Co., New York, Mr. Filler will headquarter at the Rheem plant

William S. Goodfellow has been named Eastern Div, manager with headquarters in Chicago, with responsibility for all







Mr. Filler Mr. Goodfellow Mr. Makenas

Rheem manufacturing and marketing activities east of the Rockies. This includes plant activities in Chicago and Philadelphia; Linden and Burlington, N. J.; Sparrows Point, Md.; New Orleans and Houston. Joseph P. Makenas succeeds Mr. Goodfellow as central region manager in charge of the company's Chicago and Midwest area.

The Cleveland Vibrator Co., Cleveland, Ohio, has appointed the Industrial Vibrator & Machinery Co., San Francisco, as its West Coast distributor.

W. B. Sander has been elected president of Extruders, Inc., Hawthorne, Calif. Mr. Sander replaces W. S. Towne, who was elected chairman of the board. James M. Bennett has been appointed factory representative for the company's polyethyl-ene film and will cover the South and Texas. Milton W. Stein will be the company's representative in the Middle West.

Earl E. Gray has been elected executive vice president of Caspers Tin Plate Co., Chicago. Other elected officers are: John P. Blake, vice president, manufacturing: William H. Hugus, vice president, sales; Robert L. Singley, vice president of Closure Lithographing Corp., a wholly owned subsidiary; and Roy Kritser, secretary and treasurer. William M. Leitner has been appointed comptroller and Harold W. Cochran manager of sales. L. K. Hitchings, former vice president and treasurer, has retired.

John S. Morrison has been elected vice president in charge of sales of National Can Corp., New York. Mr. Morrison will be in charge of all sales activities, coordinating sales promotion, marketing, sales training and advertising for all the Mr. Morrison company's plant locations.



Charles A. Johnson has been named to a new post as assistant director of research and development for Atlas Plywood Corp., Boston. Mr. Johnson will headquarter at Lawrence, Mass.

Nico Kamp has joined the H. H. Heinrich Co., New York, as assistant sales manager. Mr. Kamp's activities will cover sales and service of flexographic printing presses and bag-making machinery sold through the Heinrich organization.

Dr. Frederick W. Adams has been named director of research and development for the Millsplastic Div. of Continental Can Co., New York. Dr. Adams comes to Continental from the Spool Cotton Co., where he was research director and worked on



Dr. Adams (left) and Mr. Jennings

plastic molding techniques and high polymer resin technology. will headquarter at Continental's Research Div. in Chicago.

John C. Jennings has been named Continental's product sales manager of plastic bottles. Sales of the plastic bottles, manufactured by the Elmer E. Mills Corp., subsidiary, are handled through the Shellmar-Betner Div. of Continental. Mr. Iennings will headquarter with the Elmer E. Mills Corp., Chicago.

Aluminum, Ltd., Montreal, Canada, is constructing a new fabricating plant for aluminum in Alicante, Spain. The new plant is owned by Aluminio Iberico, S.A., a company controlled jointly by Aluminum, Ltd. of Canada, Manufacturas Metalicas Madrilenas S.A. of Madrid and a group of Spanish banks and individuals.

The Hazel-Atlas Glass Co., Wheeling, W. Va., has consolidated the sales activity of its Kansas City, Mo., and Oklahoma City,

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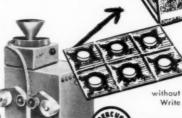




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Okla., sales offices in Kansas City, with Brooks Gall as manager. Associated with him are Robert H. Short and Stanley J. Franzell. A new sales office has been opened by Hazel-Atlas in the Martin Brown Bldg., Louisville, Ky., with J. Edward Porter as manager. George B. Dakan has been made manager at Atlanta, Ga., succeeding C. V. Gowing, retired.



The Mead Sales Co., Dayton, Ohio, has appointed Frank C. Gerhart to the newly created post of advertising manager for Mead papers. Mr. Gerhart will work with Hubert S. Foster, director of advertising. Mr. Gerhart After spending several months in the Mead adver-

tising production office in Philadelphia, Mr. Gerhart will headquarter in Dayton.

Harris-Seybold Co., Cleveland, Ohio, manufacturer of offset lithographic printing presses, has acquired the assets of C. B. Cottrell & Sons Co., builder of letterpress and gravure presses for the printing and publishing industries with plants in Westerly, R. L., and Milwaukee, Wis. Cottrell & Sons will be operated as a wholly owned subsidiary of Harris-Sevbold, with Donald C. Cottrell continuing as president.

Ray D. Hall has been appointed president and general sales manager of the Grant Paper Box Co., Pittsburgh, Pa.

Richard A. Kimbel, formerly with Container Corp., is now a salesman for the Gardner Board & Carton Co., Middletown. Ohio.



Robert L. Gerson has been made advertising manager of the Atlanta Paper Co., Atlanta, Ga. Mr. Gerson served formerly as a member of the sales department. He is a director of the Atlanta Junior Chamber of Commerce and U.S. representative on the Public Re-

lations Commission of the Junior Chamber International.

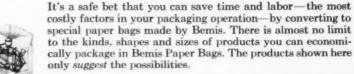
The Pioneer Div. of the Flintkote Co., Los Angeles, has appointed Philip F. Paul as divisional administrative manager of the Paperboard Div.

Howard F. Schnepp has moved from the Detroit office to the home plant and office of the Dow Chemical Co., Midland,

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Mich., where he will be in the molding powders section of the plastics sales department. F. V. Duffy will replace Mr. Schnepp in Detroit. F. C. Sullivan, a coatings salesman, has joined Dow's Minneapolis office.

Green Bay Box
Co., Green
Bay, Wis., has
promoted John
P. Madden to
executive vice
president of
the company's
Folding Carton Div., and
Walter Blu-





Mr. Madden (left) and Mr. Blumenkamp

menkamp to vice president in charge of sales at the Corrugated Containers Div. Elmer Carlson is now treasurer.

Western Waxed Paper Div., Crown Zellerbach Corp., San Leandro, Calif., has appointed Arthur Hauschild as plant superintendent to succeed Von Hunter, who has resigned to establish his own business in the East. Clayton Hayes succeeds Mr. Hauschild as superintendent of the firm's Los Angeles plant.

Container Corp. of America, Chicago, has elected Albert H. Gordon to the company's board of directors.

Robert F. Jackwerth has been appointed sales representative of Chippewa Paper Products Co., Inc., Chicago. Mr. Jackwerth will operate out of Chicago.

A new company to be known as Cellulose Products Co. has been formed in High Point, N. C., to engage in the manufacture of cellulose wadding packaging material and other types of packaging material for industrial use. The new company will take over the operation of the Cellucrepe Co. which has been in High Point for about two years. The name "Cellucrepe" will be retained as a trademark for the cellulose wadding type packaging. E. W. Heelas and Martin Doll are associated with the new firm.

Arthur J. Olsen has been appointed works manager of Simplex Packaging Machinery, Inc., Oakland, Calif., subsidiary of Food Machinery & Chemical Corp. W. A. Wolff has been appointed western operations manager of Food Machinery's John Bean Div., San Jose, Calif.

The Sylvania Div., American Viscose Corp., Philadelphia, has appointed Myron W. Brill as a sales representative in the

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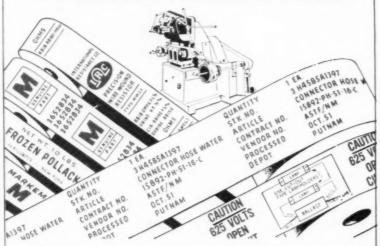


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New York area. W. J. Howells has been assigned as salesman in the southern Pennsylvania and West Virginia territory and L. D. Tyler will represent the firm as salesman in northwestern Pennsylvania. Robert B. Thornton will have southern Massachusetts, Rhode Island and part of Boston as his territory.

Reynolds Metals Co., Louisville, Ky., has inaugurated service on its industrial private-wire telegraph network whose nerve center is located in Louisville. The wire network, installed by Western Union, links telegraphically all of Reynolds' plants and major sales offices. There are 48 stations on the telegraph system, which is designed to transmit a message from any point on the network to any of



Reynolds' telegraph center in Louisville

the other stations in an average time of three minutes. All messages are channeled through the communications center in Louisville, where key information is automatically retained for record purposes. The new network has about 12,000 miles of circuits in 23 states, linking Reynolds' facilities from coast to coast.

Leroy D. Frisbie has been elected a director of the Westfield River Paper Co., West Conshohocken, Pa., manufacturer of glassine and greaseproof papers.

The Weaver Packaging Co., manufacturer of transparent boxes and displays, has moved into a new plant at 3700 Clifton Pl., Montrose, Calif.

Pat Connolly has been named sales manager for Cadillac Products, Inc., Ferndale, Mich., manufacturer of industrial paper specialties.

S. S. Jacobs has retired as design supervisor of the closing machine department of American Can Co., New York, after 45 vears with the firm. He will establish a consulting service on the Pacific Coast for the development, design and production

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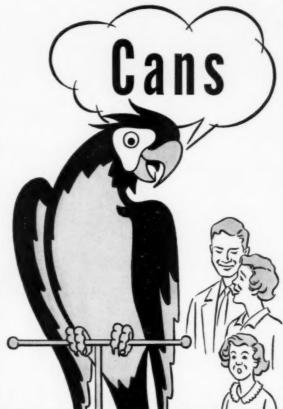
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Government officials participated in the opening program for American Can's new container-making plant at Plymouth, Fla.

Majikweld of California, Inc., converter of polyethylene film, has moved to a larger plant at 1300 Santa Fe Ave., Los Angeles 21.

Anderson Bros. Mfg. Co., Rockford, Ill., has named Swan F. Anderson chairman of the board. Mr. Anderson is succeeded as president by Ralph F. Anderson, who also retains his position as treasurer.

F. C. Maywood has been elected vice president in charge of sales of Anchor Cap & Closure Corp. of Canada, Ltd., Toronto, subsidiary of Anchor Hocking Glass Corp.

Alford Cartons, Ridgefield Park, N. J., has appointed Paul F. Bowman as packaging engineer in the Technical Dept. Mr. Bowman has designed several machines for use in packaging, including a set-up machine for Alford's Rigid-Pak.

Interchemical Corp., Printing Ink Div., New York, has appointed Hugh S. Fitch manager of the IPI Oakland, Calif., factory. Mr. Fitch succeeds L. F. McGuff who is joining the company's International Div. in Latin America.

Arthur D. Little, Inc., Cambridge, Mass., will open a Western regional office in San Francisco with Christian J. Matthew in charge and Richard Newhall as his associate.

F. Norman Hartmann has been appointed assistant to the president of Lily-Tulip Cup Corp., New York. Mr. Hartmann was formerly a director and president of the Butler Paper Products Co.

Merit Container Corp., New York, producer of corrugated cartons and corrugated specialties, has appointed Jack C. Fentress as general plant manager, with headquarters at the Wassaic, N. Y., plant.

Jack J. Bodie has been appointed to the national sales staff of Milprint, Inc., Milwaukee, Wis. He will be located in Milprint's New York office.

National Container Corp., New York, has acquired the Seaboard Container Corp., manufacturer of corrugated kraft shipping boxes, through the acquisition of a controlling interest in Seaboard's stock. Seaboard, which will become a division



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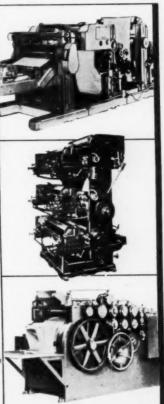
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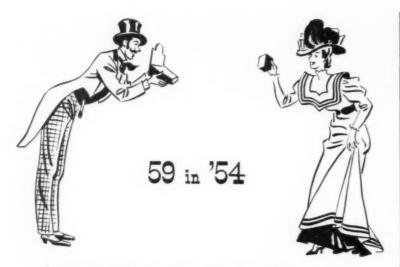
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Plants and people

of National Container, will continue to operate its plants at Bristol, Pa., and Newark, N. J., with the same personnel. Frederic R. Mann, president of Seaboard, will join National Container in an executive capacity.

E. R. Smith has been promoted to sales manager and John H. Thresher to assistant sales manager of National's Milwaukee office.

Lawrence J. Cullen has been appointed sales development manager for the Transparent Package Co., Chicago. Mr. Cullen was formerly associated with Automatic Controls Corp., and with the Electrical Div. of Nesco, Inc.



Transparent Package Co. recently celebrated the 20th anniversary of its incorporation. Company salesmen from the United States and Canada were honored at the annual salesmen's award banquet that week.

Ray I. Mitchell has been appointed as sales-service representative for Vulcan Steel Container Co., Birmingham, Ala.

Oneida Paper Products, Inc., Clifton, N. J., has elected Sam Stein as president and treasurer; Malcolm Kimmelman and Robert E. Pentz as vice presidents: Donald Zucker, secretary; and Louis J. Stein, assistant secretary and treasurer. Mr. Zucker is now chairman of the board and Gerald Fox vice chairman.

Packer Machinery Corp., New York, manufacturer of liquid-filling machinery, has appointed Adolph Laikauf sales manager.



Don T. Whalen has been named to handle sales of the Rucker automatic drum filler, product of the Rucker Co., Oakland, Calif., manufacturer and distributor of fluid power systems. Mr. Whalen will headquarter in Mr. Whalen the Oakland office.

E. W. Tinker, executive secretary of the American Paper & Pulp Assn., was guest speaker at the recent staff meeting of National Starch Products, New York. Frank Greenwall, president of National Starch, opened the meeting.

St. Regis Paper Co., New York, has elected Edgar N. Eisenhower to the board, filling the vacancy created by the death of William K. Dick. T. E. Button,

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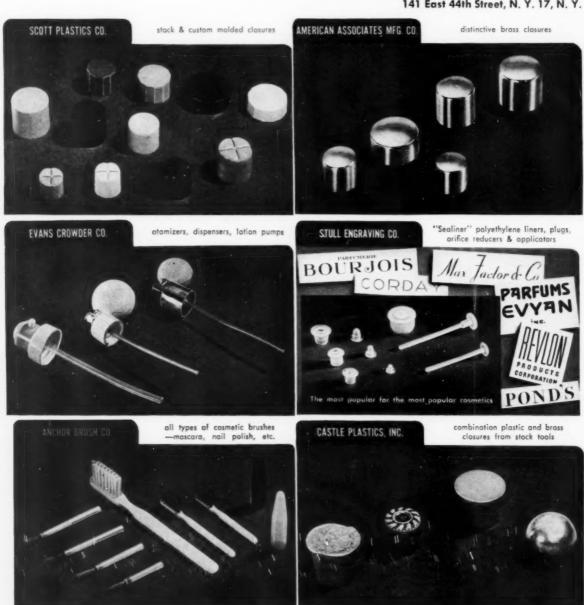
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vice president of St. Regis Sales Corp., sales subsidiary of St. Regis Paper Co., has been appointed sales manager for bleached and unbleached sanitary and specialty boards and bleached cup stock and similar papers manufactured at the St. Regis kraft mills at Tacoma, Washington and Pensacola, Fla.

Establishment of a new products sales group for polyethylene resins, with Edmund S. Childs as sales manager, has been announced by the Plastics Div., Monsanto Chemical Co., Springfield, Mass. The move was made in anticipation of the start, late in 1954, of the com-

pany's first polyethylene production unit.

Reig G. Fordyce has been promoted to the newly created post of director of development and technical service of Monsanto's Plastics Div. Eli Haddad and Ivan V. Wilson have been made assistant directors of



Mr. Childs

technical service. The appointments coincide with Monsanto's recently announced \$1,250,000 technical service and development program which will include a new applications and development research center.

Phoenix Industries, Inc., Indianapolis, Ind., manufacturer of aluminum-foil containers, has appointed Consolidated Paper Co., Inc., Brooklyn, as distributors of Foil Master Pak-Ware in the East. James Ginsberg of Consolidated Paper will direct and co-ordinate sales to industrial users, jobbers and exporters.



Mr. Larson

L. E. Larson has been promoted to merchandising manager, tape products, for Minnesota Mining & Mfg. Co., St. Paul, Minn. Mr. Larson was formerly assistant merchandising manager under A. H. Redpath, who recently was named general manager of 3M's newly cre-

ated ribbon division. John J. Jungbauer has been promoted to director of tape development engineering by Minnesota Mining.

Lt. Col. Charles E. Woodrow, U.S.A., has been appointed chairman of the Army Packaging Board, filling the vacancy caused by the resignation of James A. Sargeant. Col. Woodrow's headquarters are in the Pentagon Bldg., Washington, D. C., in the office of the assistant

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chief of staff for logistics. The vice chairman of the board is Maj. Marion L. Campbell.

Earl C. Lenz has been elected vice president of sales and advertising for Morningstar, Nicol, Inc., New York, and all its subsidiaries. Mr. Lenz was formerly vice president and general sales manager of Paisley Products, Inc., subsidiary of Morningstar. He



Mr. Lenz

will headquarter at the firm's executive offices in New York.

Semet-Solvay Petrochemical Div., Allied Chemical & Dye Corp., New York, has opened its new Niagara River Petrochemical plant at Tonawanda, N. Y., for production of polyethylene products. The ethylene is derived from gas which is produced from fuel oil in equipment de-



Allied's new petrochemical plant

signed and erected by Semet-Solvay Engineering Div. This is an innovation in the petrochemical industry, as most plants have been built near natural gas lines. Production is estimated at 20 million pounds annually.



Polymer Industries, Inc., New York, has appointed Kenneth Kashdan to its sales staff in the Middle Atlantic States. Mr. Kashdan will service laminators, packaging firms and bottlers as well as other industries. Polymer has an-

Mr. Kashdan nounced a new expansion program keyed to its modern new plant scheduled to open soon in Stamford, Conn.

Pak-Rapid, Inc., Philadelphia, Pa., has appointed exclusive agents in Cleveland, Cincinnati, St. Louis and Los Angeles to sell the Auto-Pak machine for packaging products in heat-sealing material such as cellophane, foil, etc. The company has also opened an export division at 751 Drexel Bldg., Philadelphia.

Crystal Transparent Corp. has moved its plant and offices to 101 W. Forest Ave., Englewood, N. J. The new quarters are equipped with the latest machinery for conversion of transparent packaging materials and for special process printing.

P. S. Holmquest has been named manager of the Glass Container Dept. of the Glass & Closure Div., Armstrong Cork Co., Lancaster, Pa. He succeeds H. Clayton Seaman, Jr., who died on Dec. 19. Mr. Holmquest has been with Armstrong since 1937.



Mr. Holmquest

Kenneth T. Barker, Elliott R. Barker, Jr., and Elliott R. Barker have formed the Deerfield Plastics Co., Inc., 271 Main St., South Deerfield, Mass., for the purpose of extruding thermoplastics.

Alford Cartons, Ridgefield Park, N. J., subsidiary of Continental Paper Co., has purchased the Bogota mill formerly occupied by Robert Gair Co., Inc. The plant will be used for storage purposes and future expansion.

George A. Taffel, president, Taffel Bros., Inc., New York, maker of gift-wrap ribbons, has announced a free advice and counsel plan to stores setting up gift-wrap departments.

H. Clayton Seaman, Jr., manager of glass container sales for the Armstrong Cork Co., Lancaster, Pa., died Dec. 19 at his home in Peapack, N. J., after a long illness. Mr. Seaman was 56. Well known in the packaging field, he was a pioneer in the plastic closure



Mr. Seaman

business and in recent years had been active in the affairs of the Glass Container Mfrs. Institute.

Paul M. Beach, manager of coating and converting sales of Riegel Paper Corp., New York, died suddenly on Dec. 20. Mr. Beach had been with Riegel since 1925.

Palmer J. Lathrop, president of the Cameron Machine Co., Brooklyn, died on Dec. 27, the victim of a hunting accident.

Hutchison S. Hinkle, former president and chairman of the board of National Folding Box Co., Inc., New Haven, Conn., died at his home on Dec. 18,





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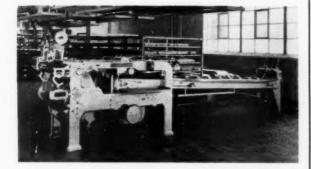
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For your information

Rules for the National Paper Box Mfrs. Assn.'s 1954 Box Competition, entries for which must be in by March 1, contain several departures from previous competitions. One is the elimination of the Grand Award. Another is a score-sheet system for use by the judges. Using score sheets, each judge will examine each box entered and give it a specific mark or grade in each criterion. This system, the association believes, will get away from the possibility of a forceful judge swaying or influencing people who are as well qualified but who do not have the capacity or inclination for argument. Under Class A-General Superiority According to End Use, the judges will consider not only merchandising appeal, but identification and convenience of use by consumers, Under Class B-Best Surface Design and Execution, quality of printing and layout as well as use of color will be considered. Under Class C-Superiority of Construction, equal weight will be given to the workmanship factor. Under Class D-Best Display Box, all factors considered in Classes B and C will be considered, as well as practical merchandise display value and the ease of erection and display. Entry blanks may be had on request to the association, Broad & Arch Sts., Philadelphia 7, Pa. Winners will be announced and all entries will be on display at the 1954 annual meeting of the NPBMA, Drake Hotel, Chicago, May 16-19.

More than 40 leading food manufacturers now are or soon will be using the new quality-protection seal-a small shield carrying the words "quality protected by Reynolds Wrap aluminum packaging"currently being offered by the Reynolds Metals Co., Louisville, Kv., to users of their aluminum foil packaging. Motivating this new seal is the consumer education program Reynolds has carried on during the past few years to educate the housewife to the protective value of aluminum foil for storing perishable foods in her own kitchen. Coinciding with this promotion of foil at the consumer level, Reynolds has been responsible for many "firsts" in foil packages for the commercial food field. The Reynolds Wrap seal bridges the gap between the two fields and enables users of Reynolds foil packaging to benefit from the promotional build-up at the consumer level for Reynolds Metals foil. An extensive advertising program is being inaugurated to support the new seal.

Continental Can Co., Inc., New York, has obtained a court order temporarily sus-

pending the compensatory rental provision of the 1950 court decree that would have necessitated increases of more than 75% in the 1954 rates canners would pay for renting container-closing machines. The order, handed down by Judge George B. Harris of the San Francisco Federal District Court, suspends for one year the provision of the 1950 decree that required all such rental and service charges to cover completely the costs of leasing, servicing, depreciation, insurance and return on investment after Jan. 1, 1954. Continental's motion was based on the fact that closing-machine rentals were reaching such unreasonable levels that canners were being forced to purchase the equipment, even when they were unwilling or financially unable to do so.

The premiere showing of Owens-Illinois Glass Co.'s new 3-D motion picture titled "There Goes Your Reputation" was held recently at the Waldorf-Astoria Hotel in New York. Designed for showing particularly to drug wholesalers' salesmen and to pharmacy colleges, the 3-D soundcolor film emphasizes the care, precision and accuracy which goes into the manufacture of Duraglas prescription containers. Wearing polarized glasses, the viewer is taken on a tour of the Gas City, Ind., plant of Owens-Illinois, where the prescription containers are made, and through the Duraglas Center in Toledo. the company's customer research center. The giant 60-ton Owens bottle-making machine is shown in operation in the colorful depth permitted by the 3-D process. The film shows the entire manufacturing operation, through to the inspection line. The film was supervised by R. F. Miller, manager of Owens-Illinois Prescription Ware Div., and made by Joseph Jackson, manager of the company's Photographic Dept. Requests for showing this new film should be made to the Prescription Ware Div., Toledo, Ohio, or to Owens-Illinois' glass container branches.

The various ASTM standard and tentative specifications, test methods and definitions of terms pertaining to paper and paper products, and shipping containers, are brought together in convenient form in one publication. The 390-page book, titled "ASTM Standards on Paper and Paper Products and Shipping Containers," is available from the American Society for Testing Materials, 1916 Race St., Philadelphia 3. It is priced at \$3.50 per copy for one to nine copies and \$2.65 each for 10 to 49 copies. Prices of the

publication to ASTM members are \$2.65 and \$2.10, respectively.

ASTM has also published a 100-page book titled "Manual on the Quality Control of Materials." This volume is a revision of the ASTM book, "Manual on Presentation of Data," first published in 1933. Copies, available from the society, are priced at \$1.75 per copy for one to nine copies and \$1.35 each for 10 to 49 copies. Prices to ASTM members are \$1.35 and \$1.10, respectively.

The Society of Industrial Packaging and Materials Handling Engineers has appointed the following new directors: Frank W. Green, Chicago industrial consultant (Eastern region); A. M. Lownsbury of Railway Warehouses, Inc. (Central region); C. L. Lippman of U. S. Steel Co. (Western region); Dean H. C. Rountree of Temple University; P. O. Vogt of General Electric Co., and J. L. Ware of American Excelsior Co. R. C. Cragg, R. H. Freeman, W. L. Utley and M. C. Weisenhorn were re-appointed as directors. At a meeting of the new board of directors, a lifetime membership in SIPHME was voted for R. F. Weber, recently retired from International Harvester Co., in recognition of his efforts as first president and first chairman of the board of the society. Gift certificates were voted for Mr. Vogt and Ray C. Sell of the Koehring Co., who recently retired as chairman and vice chairman, respectively, of the board.

SIPMHE national headquarters have been moved to 111 W. Jackson Blvd., Chicago 4. Larger space has been taken in preparation for the employment of an additional person who, as presently con-

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Feb. 13-15—Institute of American Poultry Industries, Silver Anniversary Fact Finding Conference, Kansas City, Mo.

Feb. 15-17-American Management Assn., Personnel Conference, Palmer House, Chicago.

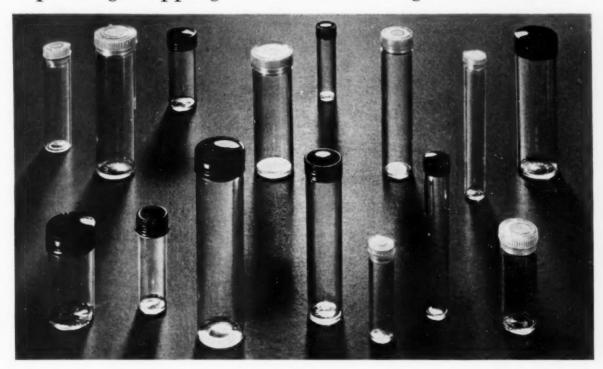
Feb. 21-24—National Wholesale Frozen Food Distributors Assn., Annual Convention, Waldorf-Astoria, New York.

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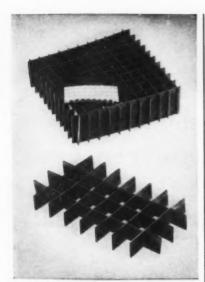
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templated, will be assigned to membership activities and liaison with the society's chapters. Additionally, an expansion of services to membership along several lines is planned for 1954. Date for the 1954 SIPMHE Exposition and Short Course is Sept. 28-30, in Chicago.

The Lithographic National Assn. has set March 1 as the closing date for entries in the 4th Lithographic Awards Competition. The competition, which will be judged on the basis of lithographic quality, design and art, and functional value, is open to all members of the lithographic industry, buyers and producers of lithographic material and any person or organization connected with its design and production. Lester Beall, New York industrial designer, has produced the entry blank and announcement brochure on the competition and exhibit. Mr. Beall has also been selected to design the 4th Awards Competition Catalog in which the prize-winning material will be repro-

Growth of the activities of the Packaging Institute has necessitated an expansion of its quarters for the second time since 1947. The address, 342 Madison Ave., New York, remains the same, but the institute is now occupying larger facilities on the 15th floor, Telephone number, Vanderbilt 6-5847, remains the same.

Chairman of the program committee for the institute's 16th Annual Forum, to be held at the Hotel Roosevelt, New York, Oct. 25-27, is Frank W. Cray of International Printing Ink. Last year's Forum, with a registration of 1,135, was the biggest to date: the 1954 goal is for a registration of 1,500.

A scholarship fund of \$1,000 has been presented to Pratt Institute by Francis Blod, winner of the Package Design Council's 1953 competition. The funds will be available to juniors returning for their fourth year who show interest and ability in package design. The fund was presented during a recent PDC meeting, at which Jim Nash was re-elected as president of the council.

Prospective 1954 markets for nailed wooden boxes and crates and an analysis of business conditions as they affect the industry highlighted the 55th annual meeting of the National Wood Box Assn. last month in Chicago. A special feature of the meeting was an ammunition-box conference attended by NWBA divisional members and officers, as well

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The company has also published "Celanese Acetate Sheeting and Film," a fourpage folder discussing the principal markets for those two materials. Included in the folder is a table of the properties of acetate films and sheeting. For copies, write to Celanese Corp.

The sixth annual meeting of the Technical Assn. of the Graphic Arts will be held May 10-11, Schroeder Hotel, Milwaukee. The association will present a group of outstanding researchers who will describe recent advances in the printing industry. The meeting will serve as a source of information for graphic-arts workers in all fields and provide an opportunity for the discussion of technical problems. Richard Shaffer of Pratt Institute is TAGA president and George Hammer of Forbes Lithograph Mfg. Co. is secretary-treas-

The Danish Institute of Packaging will hold a packaging exhibition next May in Copenhagen. The Institute is a neutral institution founded by producers and con-sumers of packaging whose aim is better packaging. The exhibit, part of a large national exhibition on Commerce and Production, will show various packaging problems and how these problems have been solved. Self-service packages from all countries in Europe will be on view and the Institute would like to have a display of well-designed self-service packages from the United States. Anyone desiring to have packages exhibited are requested to send them to The Danish Institute of Packaging, Julius Thomsensgade 3B, Copenhagen V, Denmark. All material must be received by March 15.

The First National Forum of the Technical Institute of the Packaging Assn. of Canada is scheduled for Feb. 25 at the King Edward Hotel, Toronto. Objective of the one-day forum is to explain the

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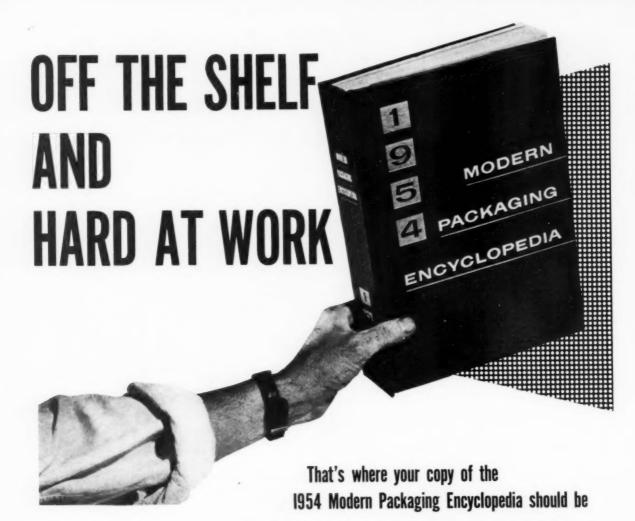
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The Rhinelander Paper Co., Rhinelander, Wis., has published a 24-page illustrated booklet entitled "Fifty Years of Papermaking" to commemorate the company's 50th anniversary. The book reviews the activities of the company since its beginning in 1903, tells of its current activities and outlines plans for the future.

A booklet entitled "We Are People Who Help Each Other" issued by the Packaging Institute tells what the Institute is, what it does and how it operates. Copies may be obtained from L. V. Burton, executive director, Packaging Institute, 342 Madison Ave., New York 17.

The fourth Materials Handling Conference of Purdue University, co-sponsored by the Indianapolis chapter of the American Materials Handling Society, is scheduled for Feb. 17-18. George Smith of International Business Machines Corp., AMHS president, is keynote speaker and general chairman is Prof. Harold T. Amrine of Purdue.

Purdue University is presenting a four-week Institute for Packaging Personnel to include classes, field trips and panel discussions covering materials, testing, design and specific packaging problems. Divided into separate two-week sessions, the Institute offers three enrollment dates: Feb. 8-19 to continue April 5-16; March 1-12 to continue May 3-14; Mar. 22-April 2 to continue May 17-28. Cost of the course is \$150. Additional information is available from Mart I. Fowler, Chairman, Div. of Adult Education, Engineering Administration Bldg., Purdue University, Lafayette, Ind.

E. I. DuPont de Nemours & Co., Inc., Wilmington, Del., has announced a \$238,500 fund for grants to universities and colleges to advance the teaching of science. The new development consists of four separate plans: \$100,000 to advance the teaching of chemistry in colleges, \$73,000 for postgraduate teaching fellowships in chemistry, \$25,500 for summer research grants for chemistry teachers in universities and \$40,000 for fellowships for master's degree training of high school science and mathematics teachers.



U.S. patents digest

This digest includes each month the more important patents of interest to those who are concerned with packaging materials. Copies of patents are available from the U. S. Patent Office, Washington, at 25 cents each in currency, money order or certified check; postage stamps not accepted. Edited by H. A. Levey

Carton Set-Up Machine, R. J. Fahey (to General Package Corp., a corporation of Delaware). U.S. 2,659,279, Nov. 17. Apparatus for erecting a collapsed, cellular, hinged, cross-partition-type egg carton, characterized by a tubular body having integrally hinged side wall, bottom and coplanar cross-partition-bearing panels, comprising means for advancing the egg carton endwise of said panels and means for progressively distending the tubular carton body to generally rectangular outline while so advancing.

Glue-Dispensing Assembly for Envelope-Handling Machines, W. R. Williamson, Independence, Mo. U.S. 2,659,280, Nov. 17. In an envelope machine having a continuously rotating gumpot drum and a gumming drum, roller having a number of gumming cylinders engageable with the drum for rotation therewith when the gumming roller is adjacent the drum, an auxiliary roller including a shaft and a cylinder on the shaft for each gumming cylinder, respectively.

Apparatus for Applying Hot-Melt Adhesive to Carton Blanks, J. A. Zinn, Jr., Chicago, Ill. U.S. 2,659,340, Nov. 17. Apparatus for simultaneously applying a predetermined pattern of hotmelt adhesive to both sides of a paperboard carton blank, comprising a pair of heated intaglio rolls and means for depositing a thin film of adhesive heated to a thin liquid on the rolls.

Closure, A. E. Smith, Los Angeles, Calif. U.S. 2,659,372, Nov. 17. A closure comprising a body portion having a sleeve portion adapted to fit within a bottle neck, said sleeve portion having an axial recess therein, a container in said recess, said container having a recess therein, a diaphragm closure for the inner end of container recess, container closure disposed in said sleeve portion recess and engaging said container to close container recess, container closure having an axial hole therein.

Stopper for Container Caps, A. H. Jung (to Victor Industries Corp., Brooklyn, N.Y.). U.S. 2,659,510, Nov. 17. The combination with a bottle having an externally threaded neck and an end-closing wall across the top of the neck, wall having a central opening therein of lesser diameter than inner diameter of neck, of a relatively rigid bottle cap having an imperforate top wall and a dependent skirt provided with internal screw threads, a polyethylene insert having a distortable disk-like top and an elongated hollow distortable stopper closed at one end by a rounded solid tip and open at the other end to form a conical depression in the central part of the disk-like top.

Sealing Machine with Automatic Labeling, H. L. Reitzes (to Globe Products Heat Seal Corp., Los Angeles, Calif.). U.S. 2,659,520, Nov. 17. In a machine for sealing a bag and affixing a label thereto, a base, a first heated platen, a second heated platen, an electric motor adapted to run continuously, a pivoted lever, a first cam, a second cam, a one-revolution clutch operatively connected between motor and cams for driving cams, means to crease a bag and label simultaneously, means being adapted to insert said bag and label between first and second platens.

Cap-Feeding Mechanism, E. O. Ninneman, G. L. Webster, J. Hohl and O. Bjering (to Owens-Illinois Glass Co., a corporation of Ohio). U.S. 2,659,522, Nov. 17. An apparatus for feeding closure caps comprising a pair of cylindrical rolls spaced apart and mounted for rotation about their axes, means providing a channel for guiding a stack of closure caps between said rolls, the uppermost portion of each of said rolls being tapered upwardly and inwardly, thereby restricting the channel to facilitate travel of caps between rolls.

Handled Carton, J. A. N'cElwee (to The Ohio Boxboard Co., Rittman, Ohio). U.S. 2,959,524, Nov. 17. In a handled carton, a body comprising a bottom-wall member, a top-wall member, said two side-wall members, each of said side-wall members carrying at each of its side edges a part of an end-wall member, end-wall parts being joined in pairs to each other and to the bottom-wall member by a gusset-folding member.

Polygonal Box, O. W. Wikstrom (to United States Automatic Box Machine Co., Inc.). U.S. 2,659,525, Nov. 17. In a folded paperboard box for use in dispensing package for sheet rolls, an elongated tubular hexagonal body for use in horizontal position, comprising an elongated rectangular horizontal bottom wall, lower front and lower back side walls continuously along and integral with the respective horizontal longitudinal edges of the bottom wall.

Automatic Set-Up Carton, K. T. Buttery (to Sutherland Paper Co., Kalamazoo, Mich.). U.S. 2,659,526, Nov. 17. A collapsible carton formed of an integral blank comprising hingedly connected side and end walls, opposed side bottom members hingedly connected to the side walls and of a length substantially corresponding to that of the side walls and of a width approximately one half that of the erected carton so that the bottom members complement each other and lie edge to edge when the carton is erected.

Apparatus for and Method of Combining Enwrapments, C. W. Vogt, Norwalk, Conn. U.S. 2,660,098, Nov. 24. Apparatus for assembling enwrapments which comprises a supporting surface to hold a plurality of separate enwrapments, a second supporting surface to hold a plurality of separate chaining elements, withdrawing means to withdraw successively individual enwrapments and means to move the withdrawing means continuously to advance the enwrapments in a predetermined path in spaced relation.

Apparatus for Folding Wrappers, R. M. Dunning (to Waldorf Paper Products Co., St. Paul, Minn.). U.S. 2,660,099. Nov. 24. An apparatus for forming a bag, including a form having a pocket therein, a mandrel movable into said pocket, said mandrel being operable to press a sheet into the pocket and a pair of opposed members mounted on said form adjacent to said pocket to engage the sheet along lines spaced from the ends thereof and to wrap the ends of the sheet.

Method of Making Bags, J. F. Doyle (to Arkell Safety Bag Co., New York, N.Y.). U.S. 2,660,100, Nov. 24. The method of forming a sleeve valve in a bag which comprises folding a sheet having a thermoplastic coating on the inner side thereof over the upper end portion of one of the longitudinal edges of the bag, applying heat and pressure to the portion of the sheet overlying the adjacent corner of the bag to cause the coating to secure said sheet adhesively over said edge and to the side walls of said corner.

Roll Support, R. M. Dunning (to Waldorf Paper Products Co., St. Paul, Minn.). U.S. 2,660,296, Nov. 24. A pad for holding a hollow article including a paperboard body divided along a fold line into two foldably connected panels, a tab connected to one of said panels and extending beyond the line of fold into the other of said panels and a tab on other panel extending beyond the common line of fold into said one panel, tabs having substantially arcuate outer edges.

Container with Rip-Strip Tongue Folded into Lock Seam, J. Henchert (to Continental Can Co., Inc., New York, N.Y.). U.S. 2,660,332, Nov. 24. In a container, a body having a side seam formed at least in part of interlocked hooks and score lines extending about the body thereof at the position of said interlocked hooks and defining a rip strip, a winding key-receiving tongue extending from the defined rip strip and folded upon itself in and extending freely from the side seam.

Apparatus and Method for Accurately Filling Containers, P. R. Fechheimer (to The Karl Kiefer Machine Co., Cincinnati, Ohio). U.S. 2,660,350, Nov. 24. A process of filling containers which coraprises introducing a liquid-filling substance into a container through a filling stem having a seal and comprising filling and exhaust tubes, said stem extending into the container and serving normally to determine a height of fill.

Band-Applying Mechanism, G. E. Gampp (to American Machine & Foundry Co., a corporation of New Jersey). U.S. 2,660,353,

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Nov. 24. In a machine for applying a collapsible banding sleeve to a container, the combination with means for holding open a banding sleeve and a support for holding the containers in position to receive a banding sleeve.

Filling Machine for Containers, E. F. Rowekamp (to The Karl Kiefer Machine Co., Cincinnati, Ohio). U.S. 2,660,356, Nov. 24. In a filling machine, spaced sheaves and a substantially horizontal conveyor element passing over said sheaves to provide spaced, substantially straight-line flights, a straight-line conveyor for containers juxtaposed to one of said flights.

Pressure and Vacuum Filling Machine, P. R. Fechheimer (to The Karl Kiefer Machine Co., Cincinnati, Ohio), U.S. 2,660,-357, Nov. 24. In container filling apparatus a head element formed to provide two chambers, one for filling material under pressure and the other for suction, at least one filling-spout structure associated with said head and provided with a seal to make a closed system with the container to be filled.

Method and Apparatus to Supply a Beverage to a Filling Machine and Fill Containers Thereby, F. T. Gricar, Jr., W. J. Sommers, and G. L. N. Meyer (to Geo. J. Meyer Mfg. Co., Cudahy, Wis.). U.S. 2,660,360, Nov. 24. The method of supplying a carbonated beverage from a tank to a filler bowl comprising maintaining gas in the filler bowl at a predetermined constant counter-pressure, venting gas in excess of said pressure, utilizing a valveless rotary positive-displacement pump to supply beverage from tank to filler bowl and maintaining the level of the beverage in the filler bowl substantially constant.

Partitioned Carton, W. J. Tyrseck (to Robertson Paper Box Co., Inc., Montville, Conn.). U.S. 2,660,361, Nov. 24. A blank for forming a partitioned folding carton comprising an aligned series of panels foldable to form a rectangular box structure and a pair of partition-forming panels hinged to the edges of two alternate wall panels, each such partition-forming panel being generally of the form of a slant parallelogram.

Covered Tray, P. A. Schilling (to Waldorf Paper Products Co., St. Paul, Minn.). U.S. 2,660,362, Nov. 24. A carton including a tray comprising a rectangular bottom panel and four right angularly arranged side walls connected thereto, means connecting said walls to hold said side walls in rectangular relation and a pair of flaps foldably connected to the upper edges of two opposed said side walls and co-extensive therewith.

Collapsible Box Having Interlocking End Walls, L. G. Trickett, Jr., and C. O. Deem (to Crook Paper Box Co., North Kansas City, Mo.). U.S. 2,660,363, Nov. 24. In a box, a bottom wall, a pair of opposed side walls and a pair of opposed end walls, each including a pair of overlapping inner flaps and an outer flap overlapping the inner flaps, there being a hinge connection for each side wall, respectively, joining the same integrally with the bottom wall, and having a hinge connection for each inner flap.

Corner Lock for Corrugated Fibreboard Boxes, K. C. Ferguson (to Anderson Box Co., Indianapolis, Ind.). U.S. 2,660,364, Nov. 24. In a fibreboard box structure formed from a blank to provide side and end walls, a corner lock for securing the adjacent ends of said walls in box formation, a tongue portion extending from the terminal edge of one of said walls having opposed laterally extending locking ears bendable thereon, each of said ears having its forward and lateral edge curved throughout the length to present a continuous camming face, a locking flap cut from a tongue-receiving locking opening in adjacent wall with one end thereof hinged thereto at its far side from said tongue.

Closing Machine with Rectangular Container Squaring and Debulging Devices, J. T. Livacick and E. W. DeGear (to American Can Co., New York, N.Y.). U.S. 2,660,936, Dec. 1. In a machine for attaching covers to rectangular can bodies, the combination of feeding devices for advancing a can body along a predetermined, substantially straight path of travel, a movable centering ring disposed adjacent one side of path of travel for holding a cover in spaced relation to an advanced can body for application thereto.

High-Pressure Container with Adapter for Discharge Apertures, E. H. Benson, Kansas City, Mo. U.S. 2,661,113, Dec. 1. In a container for pressurized fluids having a neck-like projection provided with an internally threaded aperture extending axially therethrough and communicating with the interior of the container, an adapter for neck-like projection comprising a tubular

box being threadedly inserted in aperture and having an enlarged head bearing tightly on outer end of said projection.

Container and Closure Therefor, N. E. Speiss, Jr., and E. M. Gropen (to National Dairy Research Laboratories, Inc., Oakdale, Islip, N.Y.). U.S. 2,661,119, Dec. 1. A container and closure therefor comprising a container body having front and rear walls, at least one aperture in the rear wall of the container body, said aperture having a notch in at least one side thereof, a closure for the container having a flange on the bottom side thereof adapted to be received in said aperture.

Tamperproof and Sealproof Flexible Pouring Spout, I. H. Rieke (to Rieke Metal Products Corp., Auburn, Ind.). U.S. 2,661,128, Dec. 1. A sealing closure for a container having an opening therein defined by an upstanding exteriorly grooved flange, including a flexible self-restoring and resilient tubular pouring spout having an enlarged anchoring end comprising an outwardly extending gasket portion seatable over said flange and a locking ring U-shaped in cross section.

Counting and Dispensing Machine, E. C. Clement (to United States Automatic Box Machinery Co., Inc., Boston, Mass.). U.S. 2,661,133, Dec. 1. A pill-dispensing machine comprising a plurality of transversely extending pill-conveying slats having pill pockets therein, said pill pockets being formed by openings extending part way through slats and a hopper adapted to containing a supply of pills.

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Bag and Handle, G. D. King (to Crown Zellerbach Corp., San Francisco, Calif.). U.S. 2,661,892, Dec. 8. As an article of manufacture, an open-topped bag formed of paper-like sheet material having two opposite side walls and a handle and closure member secured to the outer face of one of said side walls adjacent the top of said bag.



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(This article continued from page 138) softening of the rind. At high temperature the film also helped maintain green color in limes by retarding gas exchange. Decay at high temperature was more serious in fruit packed in the polyethylene containers than in fruit packaged in the open trays or mesh bags.

Therefore, it is important to pack only sound, vigorous fruit, especially when film is used for packaging. Rapid turnover is also essential unless the fruit is refrigerated. This is suggested by the rapid deterioration of some lots soon after three days' holding at 70 deg. F.

The presence of slightly more decay and the poor acceptability of orange juice extracted from fruit packed in non-perforated polyethylene bags indicate that perforation is essential.

The accumulation of carbon dioxide and depletion of oxygen in 5-lb. bags perforated with only two 4-in. holes were probably due to blockage of these holes by fruit. Two holes were adequate in the film-wrapped trays and no carbon-dioxide build-up or oxygen depletion was noted. In no case was there carbon-dioxide buildup or oxygen depletion in the polyethylene bags perforated with eight 4-in. holes. Using as many as 16 or 32 holes per bag served no useful purpose and tended to weaken the bag

Summary and conclusions

Approximately 1,500 packages of the various citrus fruits (oranges, grapefruit, lemons and limes) were used in tests comparing shelf life, decay, weight loss, appearance and juice flavor of fruit packaged in nonperforated or perforated polyethylene film and in mesh bags or unwrapped open chipboard trays. Inspections were made after three and seven days' holding at 46 deg. F. and 80% relative humidity, 70 deg. and 80% relative humidity and 70 deg. and 50% relative humidity.

At 46 deg. F. and 80% relative humidity the fruit held up well for the full seven days. Practically no decay and little weight loss were noted and yellowing of limes was prevented. Weight loss was far greater in the checks (unwrapped trays or mesh bags) than in the film-packaged fruit,

giving the latter a slight advantage in keeping quality.

At 70 deg. F. the fruit in general held up well for three days. Weight loss with loss of fresh appearance was an important factor in determining shelf life, especially in the mesh-bag or naked lots, at low humidity, where as much as 1% or more weight loss per day was recorded. Little weight loss was found in film-enclosed lots. Decay varied between tests, but in general it was higher in the polyethylene-overwrapped or polyethylene-bagged lots than it was in the check lots.

Two holes, although satisfactory for the overwrapped trays, proved inadequate for the polyethylene bags. Eight 4-in. holes were sufficient to ventilate the 5-lb. bags. Packing in non-perforated film adversely affected the flavor of orange juice (as did the presence of penicillium rot even in the ventilated polyethylene and mesh packages). Although the flavor of the grapefruit, lemons and limes was not affected by packaging in non-perforated film and holding for seven days in these tests, more severe holding conditions may necessitate perforation of the film to avoid off-flavors developing in the fruit.

Tight enclosures helped maintain green color in limes, but resulted in more decay and is therefore of questionable value.

On the basis of these tests, polyethylene was found to be a satisfactory bagging or wrapping material for citrus fruit when sound, vigorous fruit was packed and moved fairly rapidly through the retail channels. Perforation of bags with at least eight holes was beneficial. Holding at 46 deg. F. prolonged the shelf life of the fruit by at least four days when compared with holding at 70 deg.

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Robert K. Farrant, merchandising manager of the Saturday Evening Post, demonstrated how department stores across the country have successfully adopted the simplified selling technique. James H. Pickering, vice president of Amos Parrish & Co., emphasized that use of the system must be measured against the character and structure of the store itself. An evaluation of simplified selling for the glove and hosiery departments of a member store of the Allied Purchasing Corp. was presented by William J. Caddelle.

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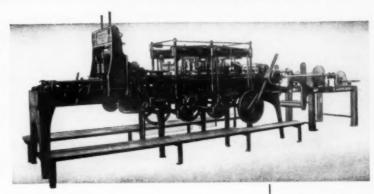
Conclusions

In conclusion, it is recognized that there are many factors other than protective requirements which must be taken into consideration when selecting packages for various meats.

The final selection of a package for a particular product depends not only on the factors discussed in this paper, but also upon the durability of the packaging material, its adaptability to high-speed printing in multiple colors, its adaptability to different packaging operations including freedom from blocking and satisfactory performance on high-speed packaging machines, its freedom from toxicity, its merchandising characteristics and, finally, its availability and cost.

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Packaging Show will attract cross-section of industry

A virtual cross-section of American business leadership will view the packaging equipment, materials and services to be exhibited at the 23rd National Packaging Exposition in the Atlantic City Convention Hall, April 5-8, a study of last year's attendance made by the American Management Assn., sponsor of the show, indicates.

A statistical "market analysis" of registration cards filled out at last April's Chicago exposition shows an "extraordinary range" of industries and occupations concerned with packaging. Occupationally, registration went from president to shipping foreman; industrially, from food to chemicals. Engineers represented 15% of the total classified registration. Close behind-more than 14%-were owners, presidents, partners and directors. Nearly 19% of the registrants represented processors of foods and kindred products. Almost 12% were manufacturers of packaging products, including cartons, bags, boxes, cans, glass containers, envelopes, tubes, closures, casings, etc. Other industrial classifications included pharmaceuticals and cosmetics; packaging processes and supplies; transportation; chemicals; packaging materials; industrial machinery, equipment and accessories; electrical; materials and materials fabrication; distributors; home, office, store and factory equipment and supplies; paper products other than packaging; packaging machinery and equipment; professional services; packaging specialties; paint and petroleum products; retail; military and Government; building supplies; textiles and apparel; services.

Almost three-fifths of those who saw the show came from outside the Chicago area last year. Almost a third were from the central states; approximately 16% came from the East; about 8% from west of the Mississippi. Canadians and other foreign visitors from countries as far away as Australia, Pakistan and the Union of South Africa made up 3.2% of the total.

Almost 400 exhibitors are expected to participate in this year's show, occupying more than 143,000 sq. ft. of floor space. Last year's 350 firms took up 125,000 sq. ft. of space to

display packaging equipment, machinery and supplies. For the first time exhibits will be placed on the stage of the Convention Hall at Atlantic City as well as on the boardwalk and lower levels. Reflecting the continuing trend toward mechanization of the packaging operation, more materials-handling equipment will be displayed.

The steady growth of the Packaging Exposition reflects a similar trend in the industry it represents, AMA spokesmen pointed out. Despite signs of a tapering off elsewhere in the economy, the packaging industry is still booming. Indeed, AMA leaders said, packaging may even benefit from slight setbacks in other fields. The return of competitive markets is putting more pressure on manufacturers to cut costs and promote sales—through better packaging as well as in other ways.

The increasing economic importance of the packaging function was emphasized by Flloyd L. Triggs, advertising manager of Riegel Paper Corp. and chairman of the Exhibitors' Advisory Committee. Concentrated ef-







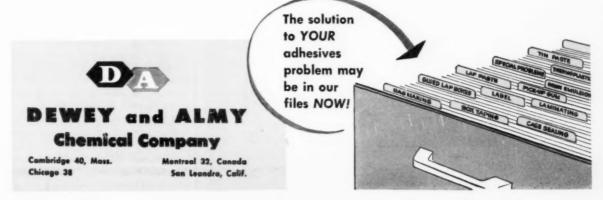
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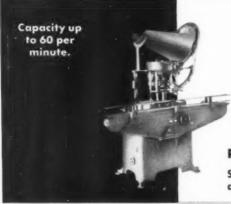


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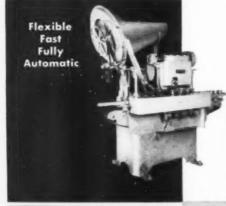
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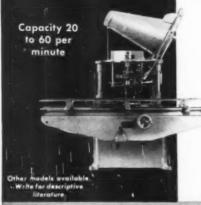
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fort to deliver the expanded production of American industry to the consumer in better condition and at lower cost will be the principal current trend in packaging in 1954, he predicted. Better packages, which reduce spoilage, avoid waste and keep longer, and new machines, which bring production savings reflected to the consumer, give the buyer more for his money.

Another trend reported by Mr. Triggs is the greatly increased use of motor transport for shipment of goods. Already companies are finding it necessary to re-appraise their shipping containers in the light of trucking requirements. The resulting changes in container design, including smaller size, may be carried all the way back to the original product package, he said. Items on exhibit also, Mr. Triggs forecasted, will reflect continuing stress on unit packaging and mechanization of operations.

The exposition will open at noon on Monday, April 5, and close at 3 p.m. Thursday, April 8. The noon opening will prevail each day except Thursday, when visitors will be admitted at 10 a.m. because of the earlier closing. Exhibit hours will end at 6 p.m. on Monday and Wednesday; Tuesday the show will be open until 9 p.m.

The association's annual Packaging Conference will be held at the auditorium in conjunction with the exposition. Its 2½-day program will include speeches and panel discussions on a broad range of topics, including production problems, merchandising, personnel and specific packaging and materials-handling techniques.

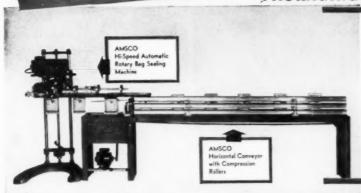
Conference registration will be made available to non-members as well as members of the AMA. Sessions will begin at 10 a.m. Monday, April 5, and close at noon on Wednesday, April 7. The schedule is as follows: Monday, April 5, from 10 a.m. to noon and from 2 to 4 p.m.; Tuesday, April 6, from 9:30 a.m. to noon and from 2 to 4 p.m.; Wednesday, April 7, from 9:30 a.m. to noon.

Rounding out the informational "package" offered will be the AMA Packaging Conference Exhibit of printed and other visual materials illustrating solutions of packaging prof-lems. The exhibit will consist of forms, brochures, instruction manuals, training manuals, reports, records and other materials related to packaging, packing and shipping—gathered from hundreds of the association's member companies in various fields.

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(This article continued from page 104) specially designed folding cartons with greaseproof liners, constructed so that the package may be literally folded around the product and thereby set up with a minimum of effort.⁸ Many such cartons are made with transparent windows in the display panel. Such packages afford excellent product protection in shipment and display, and provide a container for unused portions of the product.

Ham wraps and bags

Earlier in this article reference was made to canned hams. Although many hams are sold in these attractive and useful metal containers, by far the largest number go to market in various types of wraps and bags. This applies not only to hams which must be cooked prior to serving, but also to the popular ready-cooked type.

To afford adequate product protection and prevent penetration of grease to the outside of the package, ham wraps customarily consist of several layers of materials, ending with the printed outer wrapper. One interesting departure from this practice is a ham bag adopted by Hunter Packing Co. The prefabricated bag consists of a protective structure of parchment, gray ham paper and a printed outer layer. Two sizes of bags accommodate hams weighing from 10 to 18 lbs. The seal of the package is effected with acetate tape. The materials used are formed into a hamshaped bag after being die cut and the edges stitched with polyethylene tape.

Another important innovation in ham packaging is a collated type of wrapper pioneered by the Seattle Packing Co.⁹ Sections of the wrapper include an outside sheet of vegetable parchment, a center ply of creped absorbent paper and an inner sheet of 25-lb. glassine, held together by a narrow glue strip at the base of the wrap. The new factory-assembled wrap increased output in the wrapping department almost 100%.

Frozen meats

Although the pre-packaging of fresh-meat cuts for self service continues to be handled mainly at the retailer level, due largely to the perishability of the product, there has been

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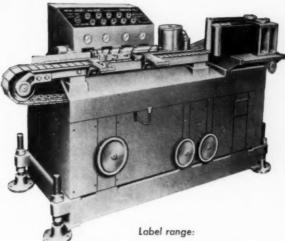
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considerable activity in the packaging of fresh frozen-meat cuts at the packer level. Much of this type of merchandising has been conducted on an essentially local basis by smaller independent firms with such products as "minute steaks" and frozen hamburgers which can be stored for long periods in home freezers. The housewife regards such products as emergency items. Thus, although their growth has not been spectacular, fresh frozen meats represent another way in which packaging has helped create new market opportunities for the industry.

A popular type of package used for these products consists of a folding carton within which the frozen chops, patties, etc., are separated by sheets of cellophane or other suitable material. Printed cellophane or polyethylene envelopes also find frequent use for this type of product. Polyethylene's ability to withstand subzero temperatures without cracking makes it particularly suitable for such applications. The prevailing practice with cartons, which are usually employed when the package is to contain several frozen cuts or patties, is to highlight on the display panel a fullcolor illustration of the meat as it appears when ready to serve. Name of the producer, number of portions and serving suggestions are on the bottom panel or on a printed insert.

Among the larger packers, both Armour and Swift have developed unified lines of frozen fresh-meat items making effective use of appetite-appeal product vignettes on the cartons. Latest addition to Armour's fresh frozen "Meal-in-Hurry" line is Beef Grill Steak. Three cellophane-wrapped steaks are packed in the 8-oz. selfservice carton, which contains complete cooking instructions as well as a full-color illustration of a grill steak entree. Other items in the Armour line include pork cutlets, veal cutlets, pork chops, pork tenderloins, hamburger, chopped beef and "steakees."

Although there has been a limited amount of interest by producers in pre-cooked frozen meats packed in composite cans, the major trend along this line appears to be in beef pies and other products of this kind packed in the new-type rigid foil packages which can be placed directly in the oven for heating. Complete frozen pre-cooked meals, including meat items, are also being marketed in this versatile type of container.



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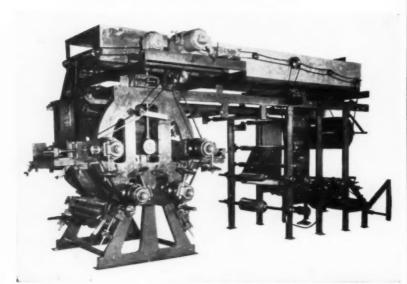
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Vacuum-forming

(This article continued from page 113) number of conclusions in regard to the merits of vacuum forming. The chief advantages of the method can be summed up as follows:

1. The process can be used to produce parts of considerably thinner side walls than can possibly be achieved by means of injection molding or extruding operations.

2. It can readily handle unusual profiles and relatively intricate shapes and in some cases can use the product itself as a mold. Thus it is a natural for that large and growing field called "contour packaging."

3. It permits pre-printing of the piece to be molded or the forming of coated, flocked and certain lamin-

ated plastics.

4. It makes pre-testing of containers and designs practical because the molds use low-cost materials-plaster, wood, light-weight metal-and can generally be made up in a few days.

5. It permits fabrication of large sheets either for single pieces or smaller multiple shapes.

Because of these advantages, it is predicted by authorities in the field that vacuum-formed plastics will eventually package thousands of products that could not previously use plastic containers. This prediction is already borne out by some of the case examples discussed.

However, it should not be assumed vacuum molding is intended to replace accepted methods of forming plastics. Where rigidity and strength are required, it is definitely not a substitute for injection molding. Moreover, conventional methods of forming sheet plastics (with the use of heat, mechanical pressure and male and female dies) perform certain sheet-forming jobs equally as well as or better than can be achieved with vacuum. The mechanical method, for example, is said to provide better uniformity in the finished pre-fabricated product. Molds do not have to be drilled with suction holes. Considerably more pressure can be employed and the method is not limited to flanged-edge techniques as is the case in vacuum forming.

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many plastic containers used in packaging. For one thing, production is much faster and working with resins obviously consumes less material than sheet processes requiring extensive trimming. On the other hand, the equipment overhead and the mold or tooling-up costs, as is well known, are very expensive in injection molding. Moreover, development work generally takes weeks or months. For these reasons, speedy, low-cost vacuumforming techniques might well be used in testing models that later will turn to injection-molding or extruding operations.

In some cases vacuum forming is now being advantageously combined with other techniques. A transparent cover for "Junior Deb" comb-and-brush set employs a vacuum-formed dome cemented to the cover, which is fabricated in the conventional method. An imitation rose encased in the bubble on the lid adds a highly unusual decorative touch to the package.

A lid for a handkerchief packaged in a set-up paperboard tray has a vacuum-formed dome, in the center of the fabricated sheet-plastic lid, encasing an artificial flower. In the latter package the dome is first vacuum formed and the acetate sheet is then fabricated into shape as a telescoping cover.

Summary of uses

Some of the packaging fields where vacuum-formed plastics are now being used or have potential applications have been indicated in the foregoing discussion. The various applications can be summarized as follows:

1. Contour- or profile-shaped transparent containers for items such as golf balls, tools, razor blades, surgical instruments, novelties, pharmaceutical products and many items sold in kits or sets. The value of transparent plastic packages for these products needs no elaboration in view of the merchandising potentials already proved by the self-selling visibility package. Vacuum forming, however, adds new packaging advantages including unusual shape, the sparkle of clear plastic, accent on three-dimensional display, compactness, economy of materials and adaptability for oneshot, multiple or strip-packaging techniques. It offers these advantages, too, for applications where they might not previously have been practical Dress 'em up! Show 'em off! Make 'em sell!

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2. Transparent domes or covers for carded merchandise. These provide immediate product identification, attract attention, keep merchandise from being lost or pilfered. Carding of merchandise, providing brand identification, instructions and price marking, of course, needs no boosting as a self-service merchandising device. Vacuum-formed plastics, however, are making important new contributions in this field because of their low cost and versatility for handling all kinds of shapes and sizes. Notions, hardware parts, small household items and the like can well look to vacuum-formed plastics for a packaging spruce-up that will make the product more attractive, easier to display and easier to buy.

3. Platforms, trays, holders, box lids and other package components. Intricate shapes are readily produced by vacuum forming; so, too, are cavities that are an accurate mold of the product to be held. Thus plastic package components produced by this method can offer numerous special opportunities from the standpoint of functional design. Other materials that are less expensive than plastic sheet may actually (at least in some cases) be more costly to use because of higher fabricating costs. For this reason the plastic tray, platform or similar component is already finding interesting applications and others are known to be under development. The vacuum-formed plastic tray is moisture and soil resistant and is generally more durable than paperboard. Thus it offers unique opportunities to packagers of products such as toy sets, that can get double duty from a platform-first, as a display medium and, second, as a functional part of

Vacuum-formed display platforms or set holders for cosmetic items designed for use on the dressing table are another possibility and are, of course, suggestive of many similar combinations where the display holder can continue to be of value in the home of the consumer.

In an entirely different application, vacuum molding contributed to the success of what was probably the most novel food package produced last year. This was a product-molding container that shapes butter and oleo into fancy prints. The container consisted of a vacuum-formed vinyl cup

and a paperboard collar.3 The vacuum-formed plastic container or packaging component would, therefore, seem also to be a logical candidate for a number of products filled as a liquid but marketed as a solid or semisolid, as is the case in regard to the oleo-shaping package. Development work, for example, is known to be already under way in regard to vacuum-formed packages for soapwith product-embossing mold formed right into the plastic.

Loose, granulated products are using vacuum-formed packages. A cellulose acetate container for bath salts, shaped like a toy duck, is employed by the Arthur Philippi Co., New York. The plastic container is mounted on a card. The bath salts are dispensed by puncturing a hole in the plastic. Obviously a low-cost container, the plastic duck nevertheless has sure-fire juvenile appeal and certainly indicates a large potential

for similar applications.

4. Displays and replicas of trademarks, packages, products and emblems. Vacuum-formed plastics offer some of their most clear-cut advantages in this field. From a standpoint of fabricating and material costs, it is safe to say that never before has the packager had greater freedom in the use of intricate three-dimensional shapes combined with a wide range of colors. Moreover, even the largestsized display pieces or facsimile packages that are practical for pointof-purchase use pose no problem to vacuum forming. Either lithography, gravure or the silk-screen process can be used for pre-printing the plastic sheet.

Thus any post-forming decoration is eliminated, although such processes can be used additionally when desired.

Sources

Vacuum-formed plastic containers can be obtained from a growing number of suppliers who specialize in the process or who have departments set up for it in addition to other facilities for fabricating and converting plas-

However, because of the relative simplicity and low cost of the forming machines, some packagers, like Master Rule, have installed vacuum-forming equipment for inplant use. This procedure is particu-





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larly feasible where the product itself is the mold over which the plastic sheet is formed. This, however, is not the only reason for setting up an inplant operation—in certain instances closer control of production and inventories and freedom to experiment with new designs are additional recommendations for the adoption of inplant forming.

The sheet materials generally used in vacuum forming plastics for packaging purposes include cellulose acetate, cellulose acetate butyrate, polystyrene (both oriented sheet and copolymer) and vinyl (both rigid and flexible).

In addition to these, some experimental work has been conducted with polyethylene. Polyethylene has two current limitations—lack of clear transparency and critical temperature range—but these are not entirely limiting, since clarity may not be required and temperature and cycling can be handled successfully, it is claimed.

The sheet thickness handled generally ranges from 0.010 to 0.030 in. or higher, depending on the individual design requirements. Plastic packages to be made by vacuum forming require relatively uniform wall thicknesses, for built-up sections cannot be obtained with this process.

The choice of plastic material used in vacuum forming does not depend on forming characteristics (although these are important) so much as it does on use properties, including clarity, strength, toxicity, water-vapor transmission, surface finish and the like.

The machines used in vacuum forming are relatively simple. The processing, too, is not a complicated procedure.

Materials used for vacuum-forming molds include wood, plaster, plastics of all types, sprayed metal, cast aluminum and steel. Wood or plaster are recommended for short runs (less than 1,000 pieces). Plaster molds are generally used in working up a design for a part to be vacuum formed because they can readily be modified without the need for scrapping after each revision.

The techniques of vacuum forming, because it is a relatively new process, challenge exploration and development. As in any new field, certain points must rightfully be questioned until they have been proved by the test of successful, satisfactory use on

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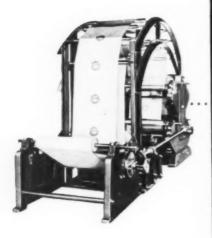
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The advice contributed by one authority in vacuum forming is first to research the techniques and design potentials of the process in terms of your project, then compare the advantages and limitations with those of other methods that might be suitable and, finally, "cost" the project.

Economics on the one hand and merchandising opportunities on the other must then be weighed to arrive at a conclusion as to whether vacuum forming should be used.

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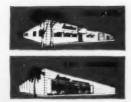
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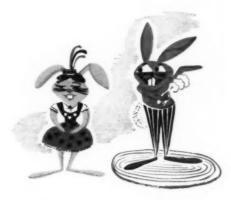
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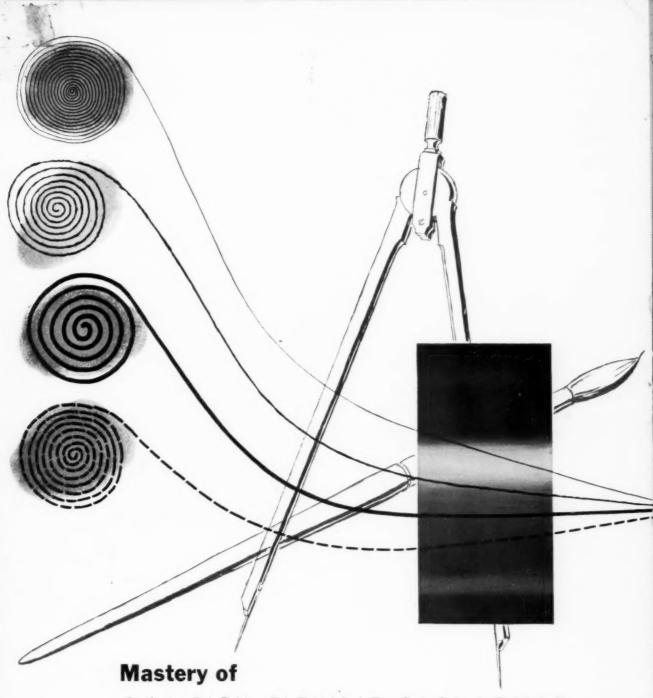
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